

2nd Council Regular Meeting

Monday, June 16, 2025 6:30 PM

City Council Chambers
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 St. Paul Royal Coachmen Car Club hosting the Grover Cleveland Alexander (GCA) Days "Show and Shine" in the north City Park on Saturday, July 12, 2025, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The street closures include: (1) Jay Street between 4th and 6th Streets and (2) 4th Street between Jay and Indian Streets. A Certificate of Insurance will be on file at the City Office prior to the event. The "Show and Shine" cars will go to the "downtown" area for rain plans. There will be no drag racing this year. (Note: The attachments of maps are from 2024)

5. Discuss - Approve / Deny "Street Closure" application from the St. Paul "Downtown Businesses" regarding Grover Cleveland Alexander (GCA) Days parade and street dance (see attachment for signatures). 20 cones have been requested from the City.

6. At the City Council meeting on Monday, June 2, 2025, Council requested that four (4) properties be revisited at the next City Council meeting on June 16, 2025 - **Possible Action:** (1) 726 Howard Avenue (Tubbs) - cleanup nearly complete; (2) 1117 Elm Street (Rasmussen) - more work to be completed; (3) 1120 Custer Street (Gass) - Chief of Police authorized to hire cleanup; and (4) 810 Elm Street (Sonders) - Chief of Police to visit tenant; request assistance from church or community service.

Municipal Code 4-315: Nuisances; Hearings.

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- (1) 1319 9th Street (Shriner);
- (2) 521 7th Street (Rasmussen);
- (3) 407 "L" Street (Weddle); and
- (4) 221 Jackson Street (McClay)

8. Discuss - Approve / Deny Consent Agenda Items: (1) Treasurer's Report May 2025; (2) Minutes of June 2, 2025 (regular) and Minutes of June 10, 2025 (special); (3) Planning Commission Minutes June 9, 2025; and (4) Disbursements June 16, 2025.

9. Discuss - Approve / Deny Bierman Contracting, Inc. Fire Station Construction Pay Request #12 in the amount of \$219,699.85 regarding general conditions, site work, concrete foundations and flatwork, misc. steel fabrication and site items, casework material, finish carpentry, door and hardware material, aluminum storefront and canopies, acoustical ceilings, flooring, painting, Div. 10 - RR accessory and misc. materials, fire suppression systems, east storm drainage, plumbing, HVAC, and electrical. The funds will be disbursed from the Fire Station Construction Checking and Insured Cash Sweep (ICS) account.

10. Discuss - Approve / Deny Dana F. Cole & Company, Grand Island, NE 2025, 2026, and 2027 proposal regarding the (1) Financial Statement Audit; (2) Budget Compilation; (3) Keno Audit; and (4) Economic Development (Reconciliation of City and St. Paul Economic Development).

11. Discuss - Approve / Deny Mayor Feeken appointing Attorney Drew A. Graham, Svehla Law Office P.C., York, NE as the City of St. Paul attorney.

12. Discuss - Approve / Deny City of St. Paul EXTENDING permissible FIREWORKS for the purposes of public exhibitions or displays until Saturday, July 5, 2025, at 11:59 p.m.

13. Discuss - Approve / Deny estimate placing a liner inside an old clay pipe sewer main by the Hometown Market alley, 175 ft. east and 365 ft. west.

a. Approve disbursement of funds for project.

14. Discuss - Approve 2025-2026 Budget Workshop date and time.

15. Discuss - Approve / Deny the request below from the St. Paul Police Dept.:

- (1) purchase the military surplus container in the amount of \$1,000; and
- (2) accept five (5) AR-15 rifles from Federal Surplus;
- (3) return two (2) M14 rifles currently in surplus inventory;
- 4) sell two (2) Police Department-owned Rock River AR-15 rifles to a Federal Firearms License (FFL) dealer; and
- (5) allow rifle (Rock River AR-15) gun proceeds to cover the container purchase cost.

16. Utilities Superintendent Helzer updates

17. Chief of Police Howard updates:

18. Mayor Mike Feeken updates:

(1) Congratulations are in order regarding Deputy Clerk Laura Berthelsen receiving her "Certified Municipal Clerk" designation by the requirements prescribed by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC);

(2) JEO Consulting Group will be performing the new Fire Station "punch list" on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the new Fire Station;

(3) Olsson's will be performing a Middle Loup River Subdivision and "M" Street walk-through and "punch list" on **Thursday, June 19, 2025**, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Intersection of Hwy 281 and Adams Street; ATTENDANCE FOR POSTING OF NOTICE?

19. Public Announcements

20. 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

21. Mayor Feeken adjourns City Council meeting.

22. Informational Items:

(1) Receipts May 2025

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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.