

City of St. Paul Regular Meeting
704 6th Street
St. Paul, NE 68873

Monday, November 17, 2025

A meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of St. Paul, Nebraska was held at City Hall in said City on Monday, November 17, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Mike Feeken and Council members Katie Kowalski, Bill Peters, Mark Wilson & Jerry Woodgate. Absent: None. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Phonograph Herald, a legal newspaper published in said City and County. Notice of the meeting was also posted in four (4) public places. Notice of this meeting was communicated in the advance notice. All proceeds thereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was opened to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Feeken opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. with thanking the public for attending and announcing that the City of St. Paul abides by the Open Meetings Act, which is posted on the west wall as required by Nebraska State Law §84-1407 through §84-1414. Mayor Feeken also stated that the City Council may vote to go into Closed Session on any agenda item as allowed by NE State Law §84-1410.

Mayor Feeken continued the meeting by announcing that individuals who have appropriate agenda items for City Council consideration should complete the "Request for Future Agenda Items" form located at the City Office. If the issue can be managed administratively without Council action, notification will be provided. If the item is scheduled for a meeting or study session, notification of the date will be given. Also, any City patrons that are requesting "Public Records" or have "Questions or Concerns" in regard to the City, they need to be submitted in writing to the City of St. Paul, so that it can be addressed appropriately. These forms are available online, in a file folder on the back wall of the Council Chambers or at the City Office.

There was an opportunity for individuals wishing to provide input on any of tonight's agenda items. Those individuals were asked to reserve time to speak; per Mayor Feeken, there will be a five (5) minute limit per person on speaking.

Council member Wilson moved to approve Olsson's renewal of work orders for year 2026 regarding the Street Superintendent and Engineering Services: (1) Master Agreement Work Order No. 3 for General Engineering Consulting Services in the amount not to exceed \$5,000; and (2) Master Agreement Work Order No. 4 for Street Superintendent Services in the total amount of \$3,000. Council member Kowalski seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Peters, Wilson & Woodgate voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

Council member Kowalski moved to approve the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce request to close 6th Street between Indian Street and Jay Street and allow hayrack rides in St. Paul. The St. Paul Chamber of Commerce Christmas event is scheduled for Saturday, December 6, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Council member Peters seconded the motion. Council members

Kowalski, Peters, Wilson & Woodgate voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. A Certificate of Insurance will be presented to the City prior to the event.

Council member Wilson introduced Ordinance #1064, to amend the St. Paul Municipal Code; to amend Section 5-1001 of Chapter 5 pertaining to emergency routes; to repeal any ordinance, or parts of any ordinance in conflict with this ordinance; to provide for the effective date of such ordinance; and to provide for the publication of this ordinance. Council member Kowalski moved to waive the three (3) readings of Ordinance #1064 at three (3) separate occasions. Council member Wilson seconded the motion. Council member Kowalski, Peters, Wilson & Woodgate voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. Council member Kowalski moved for final passage of Ordinance #1064. Council member Wilson seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Peters, Wilson & Woodgate voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. The emergency routes will be placed on the City Website and Facebook page and will be published in the Phonograph Herald.

Council member Kowalski moved to approve Bierman Contracting, Inc. Fire Station Construction final Pay Request #14 in the amount of \$114,011.67. The last pay request pertains to the five percent (5%) retainage amount. Council member Woodgate seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Peters, Wilson & Woodgate voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

Council member Wilson moved to approve Back Alley Graphics - Liz Busch (1114 2nd Street) property improvement application regarding new sign faces in the amount of \$1,244. Funds will be disbursed from the LB 840 Sales Tax fund. Council member Woodgate seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Peters, Wilson & Woodgate voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. Delcie Lukasiewicz, property owner supported the application.

Parker Klinginsmith (St. Paul Development Corp.) was in attendance to present an overview of the St. Paul Civic Center gym dividers, along with the importance of the dividers. Council member Wilson moved to approve St. Paul Development Corp. (SPDC) request of funds regarding the gym dividers in the amount of \$5,000 from keno funds. Council member Peters seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Peters & Wilson voted aye, Council member Woodgate abstained. Motion carried 3/0. Other contributions will be expended from the (1) Howard County Foundation, (2) St. Paul Chamber of Commerce; (3) St. Paul Development Corp., and the (4) St. Paul Public School.

Council member Woodgate moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items: (1) Treasurer's Report October 2025; (2) Minutes of November 3, 2025 (regular); and (3) Disbursements of November 17, 2025. Council member Wilson seconded the motion. Council members Kowalski, Peters, Wilson & Woodgate voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

Disbursements November 17, 2025

Amazon Capital Services (books)	849.76
AT&T Mobility (service)	528.20
Aurora Cooperative (fuel)	1380.04
Black Hills Energy (natural gas)	1181.27
Bockmann Auto Sales (service)	120.67

BSN Sports (supplies)	59.97
Cengage Learning (books)	65.58
Charter/Spectrum (service)	223.98
City Lights (utilities)	8059.54
City Transfer of Funds: Heritage Bank to Homestead Bank (transfer) (to pay bonds and disbursements)	350000.00
Clearly (service)	198.75
Crescent Electric (supplies)	135.06
Custer County Recycling (service)	14.20
Dept of Health & Human Svcs (refund)	135.72
Elmwood Cemetery (service)	400.00
Fousek, Kris (uniforms)	184.97
Galls (uniforms)	401.72
Hamilton Information Svcs (computer)	558.00
Hamilton Information Svcs (service)	1568.50
Heartland Disposal (service)	5602.90
Heritage Bank: Light Utility Bill ACH Fee Oct 2025 (fee)	25.00
Homestead Bank (fee)	22.80
Hometown Leasing (contract)	39.12
Howard Greeley RPPD (utilities)	132558.32
Jim's Champlin (fuel)	1374.36
John Deere Financial (postage, supplies)	91.04
LARM (insurance)	3484.96
League of NE Municipalities (dues)	8439.00
Leth Auto (repair)	563.90
Menards (supplies)	297.71
Micro Marketing (books)	315.74
Mid-Nebraska Disposal (service)	5136.04
NE Dept Revenue: Sales & Use Tax Submittal: Form 10 (tax)	12938.32
NE Municipal Clerks Assn (dues)	150.00
NUVEI: Light Bad Check Fee for 3 Persons (Oct 2025) (bad check fee)	45.00
On the Spot Cleaning (service)	290.00
One Call Concepts (service)	19.17
Open Caret (service)	200.00
Paper Tiger (service)	250.56
Phonograph Herald (publish)	931.31
Quick Med Claims (service)	1617.47
River Valley Repair (repair)	322.94
Sample, Mathew (reimb)	13.00
Smith Welding (service)	5.62
Thiel Tire & Auto (service)	117.36
Triple T Disposal (service)	432.50
US Post Office (postage)	540.00

Wells Plumbing (service)	769.24
Wesco Distribution (supplies)	2970.00
White Cap (supplies)	499.99

Non-General Disbursements

Health Ded: Medica: Adm Fees all Depts (Oct) (adm fees)	64.00
Park Grant: MRL Crane - equip rental to remove tree (rental)	3155.12
Fire Station Construction: Bierman Contracting Inc: (pay request) Pay Request #14	114011.67
Park Grant: Tru-Force LLC - stump grinding (service)	850.00
Health Ded: Medica ONESource: health ded (reimb)	12125.01
Health Ded: Medica: Adm Fees all Depts (Nov) (adm fees)	64.00
Health Ded: Medica ONESource: health ded (reimb)	611.09
Park Grant: Olsson - engineering fee (fee)	2852.95
Fire Station Construction: JEO Consulting final Eng Fees (eng fees)	385.00

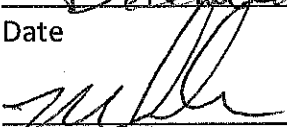
Utilities Superintendent Helzer updates included (1) the painting of the St. Paul Tennis/Pickleball courts; a utility shed will be dropped off Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at the Tennis/Pickleball courts; and (2) the Electrical Dept. completed the lights from "L" Street north.


Mayor Feeken voiced that the St. Paul Police Dept. was awarded a \$700 League Association of Risk Management (LARM) grant regarding an armor vest.

For Public Announcements: The St. Paul Chamber of Commerce Christmas event is scheduled for Saturday, December 6, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Mayor Feeken adjourned the City Council meeting at 7:18 p.m.

December 1, 2025
Date


Mike Feeken, Mayor


Connie Jo Beck, City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer