



Minutes
St. Louis Board of Aldermen Meeting
Regular Meeting
Friday, January 30, 2026
10am

Board of Aldermen Chambers

Minutes are preliminary and may change until finally approved by the Board

1. Call to Order

President Green called the meeting to order at 10am and directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll.

2. Roll Call

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following members answered to their names: Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Cohn, Mr. Narayan, Mr. Devoti, Ms. Velázquez, Ms. Sonnier, Ms. Cox-Antwi, Mr. Browning, Ms. Keys, Ms. Boyd, and President Green. **12 members were present. A quorum was established.**

The following members joined the meeting while it was in progress making a total of 15 members present: Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Tyus, and Mr. Aldridge

3. Opening Reflection or Prayer

President Green recognized the founder CEO of the Sophia Project of Christ to lead the members in the reflection/prayer.

The members were led in the reflection/prayer.

4. Announcement of Any Special Order of the Day

President Green recognized Mr. Aldridge on the motion to suspend the rules in order to Introduce Resolution Numbers 225, 226, 227, 228, 230, and 231.

Mr. Aldridge moved to suspend the rules in order to Introduce Resolution Numbers 225, 226, 227, 228, 230, and 231.

Seconded by Mr. Cohn.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to suspend the rules in order to introduce Resolution Numbers 225, 226, 227, 228, 230, and 231.

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following votes were recorded:

The following voted Aye:

Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Cohn, Mr. Narayan, Mr. Devoti, Ms. Velázquez, Ms. Sonnier, Ms. Cox-Antwi, Mr. Browning, Ms. Keys, Ms. Boyd, Mr. Aldridge, and President Green. **A total of 13 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:
None

The following voted Present:
None

The following Abstained:
None

The following were present but did not vote:
Ms. Clark-Hubbard. **1 member was present at the meeting but was not in the Chamber during the roll call and therefore did not cast a vote.**

The following was present at the meeting but did not cast a vote.
Ms. Tyus.

A total of 13 votes were cast. The motion carried.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to place Resolution Numbers 225, 226, 227, 228, 230, and 231 at the end of the Courtesy Resolutions.

The Associate Clerk acknowledged.

President Green invited members of the Mentoring Organization to the dais for the purpose to present Resolution Number 227.

President Green asked that Resolution Number 227 be read.

The Associate Clerk read Resolution Number 227 in its entirety.

Ms. Clark-Hubbard joined member at the dais.

Ms. Clark-Hubbard discussed Resolution Number 227. Other members speaking included Ms. Cox-Antwi and Ms. Green.

The CEO of Sophia Project of Christ spoke and thanked the members for Resolution Number 227.

The sponsor of Saturday Boys Academy spoke and thanked the members for Resolution Number 227.

Ms. Cox-Antwi moved to place Resolution Number 227 Enbanc.

Seconded by Ms. Schweitzer.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to place Resolution Number 227 Enbanc.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

President Green paused the meeting so that members could take a photo with the Mentoring Organizations.

President Green resumed the meeting after the photo.

President Green invited Ms. Clark-Hubbard and her honored guest, Teresa Ernst to dais.

Ms. Clark-Hubbard asked that Resolution Number 225 be read.

The Associate Clerk read Resolution Number 225 in its entirety.

Ms. Clark-Hubbard discussed Resolution Number 225. Other members speaking included Mr. Devoti, Ms. Schweitzer, Ms. Cox-Antwi, Ms. Keys, Ms. Tyus, Mr. Cohn, Ms. Sonnier, Ms. Velázquez, Mr. Aldridge, & President Green.

Ms. Schweitzer moved to place Resolution Number 225 Enbanc.

Seconded by Mr. Aldridge.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to place Resolution Number 225 Enbanc.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

President Green paused the meeting so that members could take a photo with Ms. Ernst.

President Green resumed the meeting after the photo.

Adoption of the Courtesy Resolutions Calendar

President Green recognized Ms. Clark-Hubbard on the motion to adopt to Courtesy Resolutions Calendar.

Seconded by Ms. Schweitzer.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to adopt the Courtesy Resolutions Calendar.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

5. Introduction of Honored Guests

None.

6. Approval of Minutes of previous meetings

President Green recognized Ms. Clark-Hubbard on the motion for the approval of the minutes of the Friday, January 23, 2026, Full Board meetings.

Ms. Clark-Hubbard moved to approve the minutes of the Friday, January 23, 2026, Full Board meetings.

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to approve the minutes of the Friday, January 23, 2026, Full Board meetings.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

7. Report of City Officials

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to the Report of City Officials.

The Associate Clerk read the following:

a) Report of the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen

The following Board Bills from the 2025-2026 Legislative Session were Third Read and Finally Passed by the Board, signed by the President and delivered to the Mayor for their signature pursuant to law. The list below shows the Bill Number, Name of the Sponsor, the Description of the Board Bill and Date Delivered:

Board Bill Number 118

Introduced by Alderman Shane Cohn

An Ordinance recommended and approved by the Airport Commission, the Comptroller, and the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, making findings respecting the transfer of a maximum of Thirteen Million Seven Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Nine Dollars (\$13,727,769) of excess moneys that The City of St. Louis (the “City”), the owner and operator of St. Louis Lambert International Airport (the “Airport”), intends to transfer from the Debt Service Stabilization Fund to the Airport Revenue Fund during fiscal year 2026, to mitigate rates on an annual basis during the term of the Airport Use and Lease Agreement commencing July 1, 2016; containing a severability clause.

Delivered: Friday, January 23, 2026

Board Bill Number 124

Introduced by Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier and President Megan Green

This Board Bill recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment authorizes the Commissioner of the Department of Health or her designee, on behalf of the City of St. Louis, to enter in the FY 2024 State Crisis Intervention Program Subaward Agreement to accept funds awarded; appropriates said funds in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand One Hundred Fifteen Dollars and Sixty-Nine Cents (\$255,115.69); authorizes the Department of Health to expend the appropriated funds for the allowed purposes; and contains an emergency clause.

Delivered: Friday, January 23, 2026

The following Board Bills from the 2025-2026 Legislative Session were signed by the Mayor and issued an Ordinance Number by the City Register pursuant to law. The list below shows the Bill Number, Name of Sponsor, Effective Date, and Ordinance Number:

Board Bill Number 92

Floor Substitute

Introduced by Alderwoman Sharon Tyus

An ordinance temporarily closes Ouida Avenue between E. Clarence and Pose at both ends of the Ouida and temporarily close Pope Avenue between Ouida and North Broadway 100 feet north of the north curb line of Pope and North Broadway, containing an emergency clause.

Effective Date: January 21, 2026

Ordinance Number: 72082

Board Bill Number 124

Introduced by Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier and President Megan Green

This Board Bill recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment authorizes the Commissioner of the Department of Health or her designee, on behalf of the City of St. Louis, to enter in the FY 2024 State Crisis Intervention Program Subaward Agreement to accept funds awarded; appropriates said funds in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand One Hundred Fifteen Dollars and Sixty-Nine Cents (\$255,115.69); authorizes the Department of Health to expend the appropriated funds for the allowed purposes; and contains an emergency clause.

Effective Date: January 23, 2026

Ordinance Number: 72083

b.) Office of the Mayor

None.

c.) Office of the Comptroller

None

d.) Office of the President

None.

8. Petitions and Communications

None.

9. Board Bills for Perfection, Informal Calendar

Board Bill Number 34

As Amended in Committee

Introduced by Alderwoman Laura Keys

An ordinance directing the Director of Streets to install speed humps pursuant to **Ordinance Number 70333** as amended by **Ordinance Number 71394** to calm the flow of traffic on the 3600, 3700, 3800, 3900, 4000, 4100, 4200, 4300, 4400, 4500 and 4600 blocks of Lee Avenue.

Board Bill Number 51

Introduced by Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer

Pursuant to **Ordinance Number 70333** as amended by **Ordinance Number 71394**, an ordinance directing the Director of Streets to install speed humps to calm the flow of traffic in the first ward.

Board Bill Number 25

Committee Substitute

As Amended in Committee

Introduced by Alderman Shane Cohn

Cosponsor: President Megan Green

An ordinance (the "Ordinance") amending Title 18 - Airports and Aviation Code, of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis, to add a new chapter pertaining to car rental operations at St. Louis Lambert International Airport and containing a severability clause.

Board Bill Number 115**Introduced by Alderman Michael Browning****Cosponsors: Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer/Alderman Matt Devoti/Alderwoman Jamie Cox-Antwi/Alderwoman Pamela Boyd/Alderwoman Clark-Hubbard**

An ordinance, recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, appropriating funds totaling Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000) from those received into the City's Capital fund pursuant to Ordinance Number 60419 as amended by Ordinance Number 61250 representing a portion of the one-half of the Operating balance of the General Fund from the preceding fiscal year for the purposes of funding capital maintenance and improvements to the City's flood wall as hereinafter detailed and containing an emergency clause.

10. Board Bills for Third Reading, Informal Calendar**Board Bill Number 59****Introduced by Alderwoman Sharon Tyus**

An ordinance recommended by the Board of Public Service vacating a portion of air rights for a 15 foot section of Taylor, south of Children's Place, adjacent to City Blocks 3970 and 4781-S in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, as hereinafter described, in accordance with Charter authority, and in conformity with Section 14 of Article XXI of the Charter and imposing certain conditions on such vacation.

Board Bill Number 83**Introduced by Alderman Michael Browning****Cosponsor: Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard**

An Ordinance establishing a sales tax reimbursement account in support of the project located at 3942 Laclede Avenue, approving a Development and Performance Agreement related to such project and authorizing execution thereof.

11. Resolutions, Informal Calendar**Resolution Number 205****Introduced by Alderman Bret Narayan****Cosponsors: President Megan Green, Alderman Thomas Oldenburg, Alderman Shane Cohn, Alderwoman Daniela Velázquez, Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier, Alderwoman Jamie Cox-Antwi, Alderman Michael Browning, Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard, Alderwoman Laura Keys, Alderwoman Pamela Boyd, and Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

Ordering a Special Election for the office of the Sheriff.

President Green asked if any member wanted to take a Board Bill or Resolutions off any of the Informal Calendars.

President Green recognized Mr. Cohn.

Mr. Cohn asked that Board Bill Number 25CSAAIC be moved to the Perfection Calendar.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to place Board Bill Number 25CSAAIC on the Perfection Calendar.

The Associate Clerk acknowledged.

12. First Reading of Board Bills

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to the First Reading of Board Bills Calendar.

The Associate Clerk read the following:

Board Bill Number 131

Introduced by Alderwoman Jamie Cox-Antwi

An Ordinance providing for the execution and delivery of an amendment to Cooperation Agreement by and among the City of St. Louis, Gateway Foundation, and Terrace View Inc. amending a Cooperation Agreement with regard to the Urban Garden within the Gateway Mall, and containing an Emergency Clause.

Board Bill Number 132

Introduced by Alderwoman Jamie Cox-Antwi

An Ordinance recommended by the Board of Public Service authorizing and directing the Mayor and Comptroller of the City of St. Louis to execute a quitclaim deed vacating right of way and quitclaiming all of the City of St. Louis' interest in the property, improvements, and easements for the MacArthur Bridge approach in Illinois; dissolving the Municipal Bridge Commission; and containing a severability clause.

Board Bill Number 133

Introduced by Alderwoman Pamela Boyd

An ordinance recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment authorizing the Commissioner of the Department of Health or her designee, on behalf of the City of St. Louis, to enter into the FEMA Crisis Counseling Program Consulting Agreement and to accept funds awarded; appropriating said funds in the amount of up to Seventy-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$78,253.60); authorizing the Department of Health to expend the appropriated funds for allowed purposes; and containing an emergency clause.

Board Bill Number 134

Introduced by Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer

An Ordinance amending Ordinance **72059** adopting the Forestry Division's regulation relating to weeds, native plants, and other vegetation in the City of St. Louis; containing definitions, reporting, abatement, severability and emergency clauses. For the purpose of clarifying regulations for abatement on occupied and non-occupied parcels.

Board Bill Number 135

Introduced by Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer

Pursuant to Ordinance Number 70333 as amended by Ordinance Number 71394, an ordinance directing the Director of Streets to install speed humps to calm the flow of traffic in the first ward.

Board Bill Number 136

Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge

An ordinance recommended by the Board of Public Service to conditionally vacate above surface, surface, sub-surface rights for vehicle, equestrian and pedestrian travel in a portion of 1) Elliott Avenue from Saint Louis Avenue to Montgomery Street, 2) Montgomery Street from Jefferson Avenue to Elliott Avenue and 3) The 20-foot wide east/west alley beginning at Elliott Avenue and extending eastwardly 259.99 feet to a point in City Block 2365 as bounded by Saint Louis Avenue, Jefferson Avenue, Montgomery Street and Elliott Avenue in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, as hereinafter described, in accordance with Charter authority, and in conformity with Section 14 of Article XXI of the Charter and imposing certain conditions on such vacation.

Board Bill Number 137

Introduced by Alderman Matt Devoti

Cosponsors: President Megan Green/Alderwoman Daniela Velázquez

An ordinance submitting to the qualified voters of the City of St. Louis the question of whether to amend the City of St. Louis Charter to modernize language describing City departments, divisions, and other organizations, to provide for modern methods of advertisement, and publication, to delete obsolete references to Missouri statue, to delete obsolete references to City departments, divisions, or other organization, to revise references to pay scale, to replace pronouns with specific title references, and to standardize capitalization of titles and uniform formatting of numbers; providing for an election to be held for voting on the proposed amendment, for the manner of voting, and the publication, certification, deposit, and recording of this ordinance; and containing an emergency clause.

13. Reference to Committee of Board Bills

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to the Reference to Committee of Board Bills.

The Associate Clerk read the following:

Budget and Public Employees
None.

Health and Human Development
Board Bill Numbers 133 and 134.

Housing, Urban Development and Zoning Committee
Board Bill Numbers 131 and 132.

Legislation and Rules
Board Bill Number 137

Personnel and Administration
None.

Public Infrastructure and Utilities Committee
Board Bill Number 135 and 136

Public Safety Committee
None.

Transportation and Commerce Committee
None.

Special Committee on Reducing Red Tap
None.

14. Second Reading and Report of Standing Committees

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to the Second Reading and Report of Standing Committees Calendar.

The Associate Clerk read the following:

Public Infrastructure and Utilities Committee Report

Mr. Browning of the Public Infrastructure and Utilities Committee submitted the following report, which was read:

Board of Aldermen Committee Report January 30, 2026

To the President of the Board of Aldermen:

The Public Infrastructure and Utilities Committee, to which the following Board Bills were referred, reports that it reviewed these Board Bills on Wednesday, January 28, 2026 and have discharged them with the following recommendations:

Do Pass Recommendation:

Board Bill Number 99

Introduced by Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier

An Ordinance establishing a three-way stop site at the intersection of Shenandoah Avenue and Virginia Avenue in the Tower Grove East neighborhood in the Seventh Ward to regulate traffic traveling in all directions; and containing an emergency clause.

Board Bill Number 130

Introduced by Alderman Michael Browning

Pursuant to **Ordinance Number 70333** as amended by **Ordinance Number 71394**, an ordinance directing the Director of Streets to install speed humps to calm the flow of traffic on various blocks in the 9th ward.

Do Not Pass Recommendation:

None.

Without Recommendation:

None.

Alderman Michael Browning
Committee Chair

15. Report of Special Committees

None.

16. Board Bills for Perfection – Consent Calendar

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to the Board Bills for Perfection Consent Calendar.

The Associate Clerk read the following:

Board Bill Number 87

As Amended

Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge

Cosponsors: Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderman Michael Browning/Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard/Alderwoman Laura Keys/President Megan Green

An Ordinance amending **Ordinance Number 70846** to modify the required terms of the cooperation agreement with the Land Reutilization Authority to manage the Prop NS program which uses funds raised through general obligation bonds; adjusting the caps on the amounts of bond proceeds available per property for future bond issuances; and requiring consumer price index adjustments to such caps.

Board Bill Number 125

Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge

Cosponsors: President Megan Green/Mayor Cara Spencer/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer/Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderman Michael Browning/Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard

An Ordinance authorizing a first amended and restated Cooperation Agreement as authorized by Ordinance 70956 and superseding provisions of prior Cooperation Agreements between the City and the identified parties to the extent inconsistent with the terms hereof; and containing a severability and emergency clause.

Board Bill Number 127

Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge

An ordinance approving a petition to terminate the Syndicate Trust Community Improvement District (the "CID"); approving the appointment of the board of directors; and containing severability and emergency clauses.

President Green recognized Ms. Tyus.

Ms. Tyus asked that Board Bill Number 87AA be placed on the Perfection Calendar.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to place Board Bill Number 87AA on the Perfection Calendar.

The Associate Clerk acknowledged.

President Green recognized Ms. Clark-Hubbard on the motion to adopt the Perfection Consent Calendar.

Ms. Clark-Hubbard moved to adopt the Perfection Consent Calendar.

Seconded by Ms. Cox-Antwi.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to adopt the Perfection Consent Calendar.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

17. Board Bills for Perfection Calendar

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to the Board Bills for Perfection Calendar.

The Associate Clerk read the following report.

Board Bill Number 87

As Amended

Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge

Cosponsors: Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderman Michael Browning/Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard/Alderwoman Laura Keys/President Megan Green

An Ordinance amending **Ordinance Number 70846** to modify the required terms of the cooperation agreement with the Land Reutilization Authority to manage the Prop NS program which uses funds.

President Green recognized Mr. Aldridge on the motion to perfect Board Bill Number 87AA.

Mr. Aldridge moved to perfect Board Bill Number 87AA.

Seconded by Ms. Cox-Antwi.

Mr. Aldridge spoke on the motion. Other members speaking included Ms. Tyus

President Green called for the vote on the motion to Perfect Board Bill Number 87AA for the Perfection Calendar.

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following votes were recorded:

The following voted Aye:

Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Cohn, Mr. Narayan, Ms. Velázquez, Ms. Sonnier, Ms. Cox-Antwi, Mr. Browning, Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Key, Mr. Aldridge, and President Green. **A total of 12 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:

Ms. Boyd.

The following voted Present:

Mr. Devoti and Ms. Tyus.

The following Abstained:

None

The following recused themselves:

None

The following were present but did not vote:

None

A total of 15 votes were cast. The motion carried.

Board Bill Number 25

Committee Substitute

As Amended in Committee

Introduced by Alderman Shane Cohn

Cosponsor: President Megan Green

An ordinance (the “Ordinance”) amending Title 18 - Airports and Aviation Code, of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis, to add a new chapter pertaining to car rental operations at St. Louis Lambert International Airport and containing a severability clause.

President Green recognized Mr. Cohn on the motion to perfect Board Bill Number 25CSAAIC.

Mr. Cohn asked that Board Bill Number 25CSAAIC be sent back to the Transportation and Commerce Committee.

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

President Green asked for the vote on sending Board Bill Number 25CSAAIC be sent back to the Transportation and Commerce Committee.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

18. Report of Engrossment

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to the Report of Engrossment.

The Associate Clerk read the following report.

Report of Engrossment

Board of Aldermen Committee Report January 30, 2026

To the President of the Board of Aldermen:

Ms. Velázquez of the Legislation and Rules Committee, which is responsible for engrossment and to which the following Board Bills were referred, reports that it has considered the same and that they are truly engrossed.

Board Bill Number 120

Alderman Michael Browning - An Ordinance establishing a sales tax reimbursement account in support of the project located at 3942 Laclede Avenue, approving a Development and Performance Agreement related to such project and authorizing execution thereof.

Board Bill Number 107

Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge

An Ordinance approving the “Petition to Amend and Restate the Petition to Establish 1100 Washington Avenue Community Improvement District by, among other things, Altering the Boundaries of the 1100 Washington Avenue Community Improvement District and Clarifying the Project” (the “Amended Petition”); and containing a severability clause.

Alderwoman Daniela Velázquez

Chair of the Committee

19. Third Reading and Final Passage of Board Bills – Consent

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to the Third Reading and Final Passage of Board Bills – Consent Calendar.

The Associate Clerk read the following:

Board Bill Number 120

Alderman Michael Browning

An Ordinance establishing a sales tax reimbursement account in support of the project located at 3942 Laclede Avenue, approving a Development and Performance Agreement related to such project and authorizing execution thereof.

Board Bill Number 107

Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge

An Ordinance approving the “Petition to Amend and Restate the Petition to Establish 1100 Washington Avenue Community Improvement District by, among other things, Altering the Boundaries of the 1100 Washington Avenue Community Improvement District and Clarifying the Project” (the “Amended Petition”); and containing a severability clause.

President Green recognized Ms. Clark-Hubbard on the motion to adopt the Third Reading and Final Passage of Board Bills Consent Calendar.

Ms. Clark-Hubbard moved to adopt the Third Reading and Final Passage of Board Bills – Consent Calendar.

Seconded by Mr. Aldridge.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to adopt the Third Reading and Final Passage of Board Bills – Consent Calendar.

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following votes were recorded:

The following voted Aye:

Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Cohn, Mr. Narayan, Mr. Devoti, Ms. Velázquez, Ms. Sonnier, Ms. Cox-Antwi, Mr. Browning, Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Key, Ms. Tyus, Ms. Boys, Mr. Aldridge, and President Green. **A total of 15 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:

None

The following voted Present:

None

The following Abstained:

None

The following recused themselves:

None

The following were present but did not vote:

None

A total of 15 votes were cast. The motion carried.

20. Third Reading and Final Passage of Board Bills

None.

21. Report of Finally Passed Board Bills and Signage by the President

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to the Report of Finally Passed Board Bills and Signage by the President Calendar.

The Associate Clerk Read the following:

Report of Finally Passed Board Bills

Board Bill Number 120

Alderman Michael Browning - An Ordinance establishing a sales tax reimbursement account in support of the project located at 3942 Laclede Avenue, approving a Development and Performance Agreement related to such project and authorizing execution thereof.

Board Bill Number 107

Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge

An Ordinance approving the “Petition to Amend and Restate the Petition to Establish 1100 Washington Avenue Community Improvement District by, among other things, Altering the Boundaries of the 1100 Washington Avenue Community Improvement District and Clarifying the Project” (the “Amended Petition”); and containing a severability clause.

President Signs Board Bills

In open Session and without objections, President Green signed all Third Read and Finally Passed Board Bills to the end that they might become law.

Suspension of the Rules.

President Green recognized Ms. Schweitzer on the motion to suspend the rules in order to introduce Resolution Number 229.

Ms. Schweitzer moved to suspend the rule in order to introduce Resolution Number 229.

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to suspend the rule in order to introduce Resolution Number 229

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following votes were recorded:

The following voted Aye:

Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Cohn, Mr. Devoti, Ms. Velázquez, Ms. Sonnier, Ms. Cox-Antwi, Mr. Browning, Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Keys, Ms. Tyus, Ms. Boyd, Mr. Aldridge, and President Green. **A total of 14 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:

Mr. Narayan.

The following voted Present:

None

The following Abstained:

None

The following were present but did not vote:

None.

A total of 15 votes were cast. The motion carried.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to place Resolution Number 229 on the First Reading of Resolutions and Reference to Committees Calendar.

The Associate Clerk acknowledged.

22. First Reading of Resolutions and Reference to Committees

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to the First Reading of Resolutions and Reference to Committees.

The Associate Clerk read the following:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 229

OPPOSING MISSOURI HOUSE BILL 2761 AND AFFIRMING LOCAL CONTROL OVER SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT, ZONING, AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

WHEREAS, the City of St. Louis has long exercised its constitutional and statutory authority to regulate land use, zoning, and solid waste management in order to protect the public health, safety, welfare, and quality of life of its residents; and

WHEREAS, Missouri's current solid waste management framework is intentionally designed to be locally driven, relying on Solid Waste Management Districts (SWMDs) governed by local boards with direct knowledge of regional needs, infrastructure, market conditions, and community priorities; and

WHEREAS, the St. Louis–Jefferson Solid Waste Management District (SWMD) has demonstrated consistent success through its **Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant Program**, a transparent, market-based grant system that diverts millions of pounds of material from landfills annually, supports recycling and waste reduction, and reinvests user-fee revenues directly back into local communities; and

WHEREAS, programs funded through the St. Louis–Jefferson SWMD—including **earthday365**, the **Green Dining Alliance**, **Operation Food Search**, **Perennial**, and the **Missouri Botanical Garden**—have measurably reduced landfill disposal, supported small businesses, and sustained green jobs, including a reported diversion of over **13.7 million pounds of material** by earthday365 programs alone in 2025; and

WHEREAS, HB 2761 seeks to dismantle this successful local system by **dissolving Solid Waste Management Districts effective August 28, 2026**, seizing local grant funds, and centralizing oversight within state bureaucracy, effectively stripping the City of St. Louis of the resources needed to maintain its waste

diversion programs; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 2761 reclassifies so-called “advanced recycling” facilities, which utilize processes such as pyrolysis, gasification, and depolymerization, from solid waste processing to “manufacturing,” thereby exempting these facilities from long-standing solid waste regulations and local zoning authority; and

WHEREAS, this reclassification creates a statutory loophole that preempts local zoning and land-use authority, effectively preventing the City of St. Louis from determining where waste-processing facilities may be located and depriving residents of meaningful input into decisions that directly affect their neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, facilities that accept, store, and process post-use plastics and other waste materials pose land-use, traffic, emissions, and environmental justice considerations that are fundamentally local in nature and are appropriately addressed through municipal zoning, permitting, and public engagement processes; and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Louis already operates under streamlined, well-established board and departmental review processes that balance economic development with environmental protection, neighborhood compatibility, and public transparency; and

WHEREAS, replacing these proven local systems with a centralized, state-controlled model risks increasing bureaucracy, slowing project review, reducing responsiveness to community concerns, and weakening outcomes that are currently achieved through targeted, data-driven local decision-making; and

WHEREAS, so-called “advanced recycling” technologies remain largely unproven at scale, and in many cases result in the conversion of plastic waste into fuel for combustion rather than into new materials, raising concerns similar to those associated with waste incineration; and

WHEREAS, exempting these facilities from the environmental and siting standards applied to waste incinerators undermines environmental safeguards, creates regulatory inconsistency, and shifts risk onto local communities without corresponding local authority; and

WHEREAS, HB 2761 represents a significant instance of state preemption that weakens municipal self-governance, undermines voter-supported local sustainability efforts, and disrupts a system that is currently functioning as intended.

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, by this Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we urge the Missouri General Assembly to reject statutory reclassifications that circumvent local authority and to instead work collaboratively with municipalities and regional districts to strengthen successful local waste reduction and recycling systems. We further direct the clerk of this board of aldermen to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy of this resolution to the end that it may be presented by the sponsor.

Introduced this 30th day of January, 2026 by:

The Honorable Anne Schweitzer, Alderwoman 1st Ward

Cosponsors:

The Honorable Alisha Sonnier, Alderwoman 7th Ward

The Honorable Bret Narayan, Alderman 4th Ward

The Honorable Michael Browning, Alderman 9th Ward

President Green recognized Ms. Schweitzer on Resolution Number 229

Ms. Schweitzer requested unanimous consent.

Ms. Tyus objected to unanimous consent.

President Green recognized Ms. Schweitzer on the motion to suspend the rules to adopt Resolution Number 229.

Ms. Schweitzer made the motion to suspend the rules to adopt Resolution Number 229.

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to suspend the rule in order to adopt Resolution Number 229

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following votes were recorded:

The following voted Aye:

Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Cohn, Mr. Devoti, Ms. Velázquez, Ms. Sonnier, Ms. Cox-Antwi, Mr. Browning, Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Keys, Mr. Aldridge, and President Green. **A total of 13 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No: 2

Ms. Tyus and Ms. Boyd.

The following voted Present:

None

The following Abstained:

None

The following were present but did not vote:

None.

A total of 15 votes were cast. The motion carried.

President Green recognized Ms. Schweitzer on the motion to adopt Resolution Number 229.

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

Ms. Schweitzer spoke on the Resolution. Other members speaking included Ms. Tyus, Ms. Sonnier, and Ms. Boyd.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to adopt Resolution Number 229

The Associate Clerk called the roll and the following votes were recorded:

The following voted Aye:

Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Cohn, Mr. Narayan, Ms. Velázquez, Ms. Sonnier, Ms. Cox-Antwi, Mr. Browning, Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Keys, Mr. Aldridge, and President Green. **A total of 12 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No: **2**

Ms. Tyus and Ms. Boyd.

The following voted Present: **1**

Mr. Devoti.

The following Abstained:

None

The following were present but did not vote:

None.

A total of 15 votes were cast. The motion carried.

23. Second Reading of Resolutions, Committee Reports and Adoptions

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to the Second Reading of Resolutions, Committee Reports and Adoptions.

The Associate Clerk read the following:

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 202
CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM FUNDS**

WHEREAS, Ordinance Number 67794, approved January 14, 2008, established that the annual proceeds of a sales tax shall be initially deposited in a City Public Safety Protection Sales Tax Fund and shall be dedicated to and used for various purposes, commencing with the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and each fiscal year thereafter; and

WHEREAS, Section One, subsection (v), of such Ordinance provides that one million dollars (\$1,000,000) shall be allocated annually for crime prevention programs to be administered by resolution of the St. Louis Board of Aldermen with approval of the Public Safety Committee and overseen by the City's Public Safety Department; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Ordinance Number 67794 the Public Safety Committee does hereby approve the recommendations of the Public Safety Committee for the appropriation of crime prevention program funds for the Fiscal Year 2026 attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, which is incorporated herein by reference.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED those copies of this resolution are to be maintained by the Clerk of the Board of Aldermen; printed in the Journal of the Board of Aldermen; and delivered to the Director of Public Safety, the Budget Division, and the Comptroller.

Introduced this 12th day of December, 2025 by:

The Honorable Bret Narayan, Alderman 4th Ward

President Green recognized Mr. Narayan to speak on Resolution Number 202.

Mr. Narayan reported that Resolution Number 202 with Exhibit A was adopted in the Public Safety Committee.

24. Courtesy Resolutions

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to the Courtesy Resolutions Calendar.

The Associate Clerk read the following:

RESOLUTION NUMBER 224 HONORING DR. SEAN “OJIMBA” D. NICHOLS

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of this Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis of the untimely death of Dr. Sean “Ojimba” D. Nichols a beloved educator in our community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sean “Ojimba” Dana Nichols was born on March 15, 1971, to John Henry Nixon and Lena Maxine (Nichols) Washington in Camden, Mississippi. Sean “Ojimba” would have turned fifty-five on March 15, 2026; and

WHEREAS, he was deeply proud of his upbringing in Camden, Mississippi, where he was born at home and delivered by his grandmother, Gertie Lee Nichols, a respected midwife and Eastern Star member. Growing up in rural Mississippi and experiencing economic hardship were sources of pride rather than shame. He believed these early experiences shaped his integrity, resilience, faith, discipline, and strong work ethic; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Nichols’ formal education began at the Valleyview Community Center Head Start program in Camden, where his grandmother served as a preschool teacher. He later attended Velma Jackson School, completing kindergarten through twelfth grade. During high school, his artistic talent in drawing and his musical abilities emerged. He was a proud member of the Velma Jackson Band and played the trumpet; and

WHEREAS, after graduating high school, Dr. Nichols attended Tougaloo College, where he earned a bachelor’s degree in economics. He became well known on campus for his barbering skills, earning the unofficial title of campus barber. Following college, he briefly considered relocating to Atlanta but ultimately chose to move to St. Louis to support siblings and extended family. After exploring several career paths, he felt called to mentor youth, which led him to join St. Louis Public Schools as a teacher’s aide; and

WHEREAS, at Tougaloo College, he developed a deep interest in African history and culture. While in Atlanta, Georgia he received the Nigerian Igbo male surname of **Ojimba**. The name *Ojimba* means “one who holds strength, holds the word, one who brings joy, and one who is joyful”; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Nichols pursued a teacher certification at Harris-Stowe State University and became a certified social studies teacher. He later completed an educational administration program at the University of Missouri–St. Louis, earning principal certification, followed by specialist credentials and an educational doctorate. He later became a member of Howard University’s nationally recognized AASA nine-month Urban Superintendents Academy; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Nichols devoted his career to public education within St. Louis Public Schools (SLPS), where he was widely respected as both an educator and a leader. He began in 1993 as a teacher’s aide before becoming a social studies teacher at King Tri-A and later at Sumner High School, after principal certification he was

appointed assistant principal at Yeatman-Liddell Middle School and later lead principal at Big Picture Middle School. He later was selected to lead SLPS's Missouri Options Program at Turner Middle School, which he later renamed *Fresh Start*. When he assumed leadership, the program served approximately twenty-three students. Under his direction, enrollment expanded dramatically to nearly 440 students, requiring relocation to the annex building at Sumner High School; and.

WHEREAS, Dr. Nichols later became principal at Cole Elementary School, where he pursued a vision of African-centered education. His leadership transformed the school, which was renamed *Pamoja Preparatory Academy at Cole Elementary School*. Pamoja is in the Kiswahili language and translates into English as "togetherness." Traditional African educational approaches were reflected throughout the building using the Kiswahili language, African-centered professional development for staff, and inclusive educational opportunities for families and community stakeholders. Under his tenure the school grew from fewer than eighty students to nearly five hundred. Its success caused educators and researchers from across the country to visit the school to study it as a model of effective and culturally responsive practices; and

WHEREAS, building on this success, Dr. Nichols was appointed lead principal of Sumner High School. In this role, he intentionally listened to diverse stakeholder voices and unified them around common goals. His leadership emphasized collaboration, inclusivity, and respect. Through strategic partnerships, he expanded academic and enrichment opportunities, increased student resources, and strengthened instructional support for teachers and staff Dr. Sean "Ojimba" D. Nichols retired from Sumner High School effective July 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, after retirement he continued giving back by launching a consulting business that supported individuals, small businesses, and organizations. Through this work, he helped young people earn high school diplomas through nontraditional pathways and expanded his reach into diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Nichols was one of those rare individuals who was quick to smile, was filled with ideas, led an active life, treated people with respect, brought joy wherever he went, avoided gossip, remained humble, encouraged others to succeed, had a gift to connect to people and help them see new possibilities, enjoyed sports, was an avid reader, was a disciplined and accountable leader, loved his family, friends and people in general, was a loyal friend and a fun person to be around; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sean "Ojimba" D. Nichols was married to Makini D. Kennedy-Nichols for twenty-four years and lived in the present 10th Ward for many years. They would have celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on June 30, 2026. Together, they raised one son, Chase J. Nichols and lived a loving, active and energetic life together; and

WHEREAS, unexpectedly passing in mid-January, 2026 Dr. Nichols' life reflected faith, service, optimism, and an enduring belief in humanity. His legacy lives on through the countless lives he uplifted, challenged, and inspired to rise above circumstances and pursue higher possibilities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by this Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the significant life and legacy of community leader and educator Dr. Sean "Ojimba" D. Nichols and by adoption of this Resolution send our condolences to his family and join in with those celebrating his life. We further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy of this Resolution to the end that it may be presented to those deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 30th day of January, 2026 by:
The Honorable Shameem Clark-Hubbard, Alderwoman 10th Ward

The following Resolutions were filed after the deadline to be officially on this agenda and was added from the floor by a vote of the members.

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 225
HONORING TERESA ERNST**

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of this Honorable Board of Aldermen of the retirement of our colleague Mrs. Teresa Ernst; and

WHEREAS, Teresa graduated from St. Elizabeth Academy in 1977 and began her career with the City of St. Louis in 1979 with the Recorder of Deeds office where she served until 1986. After that she enjoyed the blessing of motherhood until 1995; and

WHEREAS, Teresa then went on to work for the Webster Groves School District and then the St. Louis County Special School District until starting with The St. Louis City Board of Aldermen in 2006 as a receptionist and continued her dedication in her current position as Executive Secretary; and

WHEREAS, Teresa has devoted 47 years of dedicated service to the City of St. Louis, demonstrating commitment, professionalism, and integrity throughout her career. Known for her quiet strength, and behind the scenes excellence, she approached work with care, precision, and a willingness to step in whenever needed; and

WHEREAS, Teresa provided invaluable administrative support to many Aldermen; including Alderman Joe Vaccaro, Alderwoman Carol Howard, Alderwoman Shameem Clark Hubbard, Alderman Rasheen Aldridge, and former Alderwoman Mayor Cara Spencer just to name a few, earning their trust and respect through her dependability and institutional knowledge; and

WHEREAS, beyond her secretarial duties, Teresa was also known for delicious meals such as Mississippi pot roast, large sandwiches from Mom's Deli, cakes from Federhofer's Bakery, and an assortment of desserts that brought the office together and made work days a little brighter; and

WHEREAS, Teresa married Mr. Rick Ernst in October of 2021 and is the loving mother of Erin Chambers Gooch, Todd Chambers, and Danny Chambers and proud Grandmother of Teddy, Aiden, and Zoey; and

WHEREAS, During her retirement, Teresa plans to read more, volunteer, and dotingly spend more time with her grandchildren as well as enjoy travel plans with her husband to their favorite place Sanibel Island, Florida and discover new places along the way.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Aldermen for The City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize, honor, thank, and celebrate Mrs. Teresa Ernst and wish her God speed in her retirement journey. We further direct the clerk of this Board of Aldermen to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to Teresa Ernst on January 30, 2026 by the sponsor.

Introduced this 30th day of January 30, 2026 by:

The Honorable Shameem Clark Hubbard, Alderwoman 10th Ward

Co-Sponsors:

The Honorable Laura Keys, Alderwoman 11th Ward

The Honorable Jami Cox Antwi, Alderwoman 8th Ward

The Honorable Alisha Sonnier, Alderwoman 7th Ward

The Honorable Matt Devoti, Alderman 5th Ward

The Honorable Michael Browning, Alderman 9th Ward

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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 226
HONORING STACEY FOWLER**

WHEREAS, It has come to the attention of this honorable Board of Aldermen of the immeasurable loss in the passing of dedicated City of St. Louis servant Ms. Stacey Fowler; and

WHEREAS, Stacy's tenure boasted more than 20 years of talent management, workforce development, policy and procedure development, contractual negotiation and compliance implementation having most recently served SLDC as the Senior Vice President of Minority and Small Business Empowerment. Stacey played a key role and oversaw many components of SLDC's programming and services, such as the opening of the Northside Economic Empowerment Center, the Business Assistance Center, Minority and Women Business Enterprise Certification and Compliance, and other services; and

WHEREAS, Before Stacey was the M/BE Contract Compliance Manager with SLDC she managed the day-to-day operations and supervision of the M/WBE Compliance Department while building relationships with key community leaders, developers, and M/WBE enterprises. She directed and led the development of programs and services to advance minority-owned (MBE) and women-owned businesses. She had also served as Director of Workforce Development for the City of St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment (SLATE); and

WHEREAS, Stacey was a champion for applying best practices to developing performance-based workforce development strategies. She partnered and built collaborative deployments of effective and efficient career pathway programs. Developing opportunities which produced measurable results that met Human Capital challenges in employee engagement, growth and retention. A sample list of clients that Stacey has worked with includes; Ballpark Village, MSD, St. Louis Housing Authority and countless other small and medium sized employers. Also, during her tenure at SLATE, she worked as the Adult Services Manager and Reintegration Counselor working with displaced Hurricane Katrina survivors; and

WHEREAS, Stacy served three terms as 2nd Ward Alderperson for the City of Pine Lawn, Missouri, and advocated for the disenfranchised and underrepresented communities through volunteerism and advocacy. She was a member of the St. Louis Council of Construction Consumers-Diversity Committee and member of the American Contract Compliance Association. She was committed to the highest level of professional and personal excellence within an organization that values experience, embraces diversity, rewards loyalty, and promotes innovation on all levels; and

WHEREAS, above all Stacey often shared her most rewarding and enduring achievement was the talented staff members she recruited, managed, and nurtured into confident, capable leaders. Stacy was a selfless leader who invested deeply in people; setting high expectations, offering steady guidance, and instilling pride, purpose, and confidence in those she led. Her leadership values and commitment to lifting others will continue to live on through the professionals she mentored and the culture of excellence she helped build.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Aldermen for The City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize, honor, and celebrate the many contributions, life and legacy of Stacy Fowler. We further direct the clerk of this Board of Aldermen to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to the family by the sponsor.

Introduced this 30th day of January 2026 by:
The Honorable Shameem Clark Hubbard, Alderwoman 10th Ward
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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 227
HONORING MENTORING ORGANIZATIONS**

WHEREAS, Mentoring plays a vital role in the personal, academic, and social development of young people by providing guidance, encouragement, and positive role models; and

WHEREAS, National Mentoring Month, observed each January, recognizes the power of mentoring relationships to strengthen families, schools, and communities; and

WHEREAS, Effective mentoring contributes to improved academic achievement, increased self-esteem, positive decision-making, and long-term success for young people; and

WHEREAS, The City of St. Louis is home to dedicated mentoring organizations that are committed to uplifting youth through leadership development, academic enrichment, social-emotional support, and community engagement, including The Sophia Project Inc., Dream Builders, Gentlemen of Vision, The Village, Black Girls Do STEM, Mentors in Motion, Saturday Boys Academy, and S.H.E.R.A.H.; and

WHEREAS, these organizations exemplify collaboration, service, and commitment by investing in the growth, character, and future of young people throughout the St. Louis region; and

WHEREAS, the mentors, volunteers, and leaders within these organizations serve as trusted guides and advocates, helping youth navigate challenges and realize their full potential.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Aldermen of The City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize, honor, celebrate, and thank our local mentoring organizations for their service and impact to The City of St. Louis. We further direct the clerk of this board of aldermen to spread a copy of this resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy that it may be presented by the sponsor.

**Introduced this 30th day of January 2026 by:
The Honorable Shameem Clark Hubbard, Alderwoman 10th Ward**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 228
HONORING TYLER “TAI” JAMAAL DAVIS**

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of this Honorable Board of Aldermen of the heartbreaking loss of Tyler “Tai” Jamaal Davis who transitioned from this life in his home on Friday, January 9, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Tyler, the son of his beloved mother Cynthia McReynolds, was born on June 22, 1984, in Mt. Vernon, IL. While attending Mt. Vernon Twp. High School Tyler developed a love for playing the cello thanks in part to his uncle Rolland Mays, an MVTHS educator and orchestra director. Mays' mentorship encouraged a love for music, strings, and classical music for him. Tyler's passion for music grew as he performed with several area orchestras and confirmed his commitment to building a life rooted in the arts; and

WHEREAS, in 2002 Tyler attended SIU-E on a music and academic scholarship. While music will always be his first love, he knew a career in music was not his niche and wanted more. After college he moved to St. Louis he was introduced to the culinary world and discovered that food is a medium unto itself. After teaching

himself to cook he started applying for culinary jobs studying renowned chefs worldwide and carefully choosing his goals; and

WHEREAS, Tyler worked at several restaurants in St. Louis learning as much as he could and eventually landed his first executive chef position after 5 years in the culinary world. He went on to own three businesses that focused on food, art, and culinary consulting under the moniker Tai Davis. He has been featured on several national television programs, published two books, and highlighted in over 50 publications. He launched an initiative called STL Boxed Lunches and through successful fundraising and collaboration the project provided over 3500 meals to children during the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Tyler helped raise awareness about diversity, inclusion, and harmony, by being an active member of Bakers for Black Lives and advocating for black artists. In December 2023, Tyler developed the Blck Bird String Ensemble, a Black String Ensemble that inspires black students at every level to appreciate the instruments and culture of classical music. They perform at private and social events in the St. Louis and Metro East regions. Among many other accolades he was featured on the Food Network Channel competition "Chops" where he won First Place; and

WHEREAS, Tyler's final accomplishment was the opening of his restaurant "Línea" where he hosted a successful "Soft Opening" on January 5, 2026. Tyler's love for music, food, and art carried him to create incredible deserts, astounding art, and soul calming music, he always gave his very best, expecting nothing...only for all to enjoy: and

WHEREAS, Tai, affectionately known as "The Black Willy Wonka" and his legacy will live on as the incomparable chef and artist who fused food, art, and culture into immersive experiences that reshaped St. Louis 'dining and creative communities and left an indelible mark on everyone who knew him.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Aldermen for The City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize, honor, and celebrate the many contributions, life, and legacy of Tyler "Tai" Davis. We further direct the clerk of this Board of Aldermen to spread a copy of this resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to the family by the sponsor.

Introduced this 30th day of January 2026 by:

The Honorable Shameem Clark Hubbard, Alderwoman 10th Ward

Co-Sponsors:

The Honorable Shane Cohn, Alderman 3rd Ward

RESOLUTION NUMBER 230

HONORING AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE, LEGACY, AND IMPACT OF IDA MAE HAGLER-FORD

WHEREAS, Ida Mae Hagler-Ford was born on June 18, 1937, and lived a life defined by unwavering faith, moral conviction, and extraordinary resilience, accepting Christ at an early age and carrying those spiritual values as the foundation of her compassion, strength, and lifelong service to others; and

WHEREAS, raised in St. Louis in a loving and God-fearing home, she developed an unshakable belief in dignity, discipline, and responsibility, values that guided her through personal loss, adversity, and long suffering, while never diminishing her ability to uplift, encourage, and lead others with grace; and

WHEREAS, Ida Mae Hagler-Ford was a woman of remarkable intellect, creativity, and vision, whose love of knowledge, education, and artistic expression fueled a lifetime of entrepreneurship, including ownership of multiple small businesses, and whose tireless work ethic reflected her belief that self-determination and opportunity were essential tools for empowerment; and

WHEREAS, driven by a deep sense of justice, she emerged as a fearless civil rights advocate and public servant, dedicating her life to advancing the social, political, and economic conditions of African Americans, senior citizens, children, and underserved communities who too often lacked representation and resources; and

WHEREAS, her commitment to transformational change led her to seek public office, and in the early 1980s she was elected as 3rd Ward Democratic Committeewoman, where she made history by founding the first ward Democratic Boxing Club, creating a structured, disciplined, and nurturing environment for young Black men whose lives were too often constrained by poverty and limited opportunity; and

WHEREAS, under her leadership and vision, the Boxing Club became a powerful force for change, producing local and national champions, including IBF Light Heavyweight Champion William “KO King” Guthrie, while fundamentally altering the life trajectories of countless youth by instilling confidence, discipline, and hope; and

WHEREAS, believing that opportunity must be inclusive, she ensured young women were equally supported by creating cheerleading teams, etiquette classes, and enrichment programs that fostered self-esteem, leadership, and pride, reflecting her holistic approach to youth development; and

WHEREAS, after a brief departure from political life, Ida Mae Hagler-Ford was again called to serve and was elected 5th Ward Democratic Committeewoman, continuing her legacy of leadership alongside her husband, State Representative Louis H. Ford, her daughter, Alderwoman April Ford Griffin, and her son, State Representative Anthony Walker, establishing a rare and powerful multigenerational legacy of civic service; and

WHEREAS, her work on behalf of the community was expansive and tireless, including organizing monthly ward meetings to educate and empower residents, coordinating annual food distributions, leading voter registration and education initiatives, producing a community newspaper, hosting community events, and representing the State of Missouri as a delegate to the National Democratic Presidential Convention; and

WHEREAS, Ida Mae Hagler-Ford was widely respected as a trusted strategist and advocate, working on numerous successful political campaigns at the local, state, and national levels, always guided by her unwavering commitment to candidates and causes that served the most vulnerable and historically marginalized communities; and

WHEREAS, even in her later years, her dedication to service never waned, as demonstrated by her completion of the Washington University School of Medicine Community Research Fellow Training Program at age 76, after which she continued serving as a senior advocate, educating older adults throughout the City of St. Louis on health, safety, and fall prevention; and

WHEREAS, above all her immense accomplishments, she cherished her family, taking immense pride in the successes of her children, grandchildren, extended family, and community family, offering steadfast love, encouragement, and support to all whose lives she touched; and

WHEREAS, Ida Mae Hagler-Ford’s life stands as a testament to the power of faith-driven leadership, service rooted in love, and the enduring impact one determined individual can have on generations, neighborhoods, and the moral fabric of a city.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to honor, commemorate, and celebrate the extraordinary life, leadership, and legacy of Ida Mae Hagler-Ford, recognizing her immeasurable contributions to civic engagement, social justice, youth development, and community empowerment. We further direct the Clerk of this Board of Aldermen to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy of this resolution to the end that it may be presented to those deemed appropriate by the sponsor.

Introduced this 30th Day of January 2026 by:
The Honorable Rasheen Aldridge, Alderman of the 14th Ward

Co-Sponsors:
The Honorable Anne Schweitzer, Alderwoman 1st Ward
The Honorable Shane Cohn, Alderwoman 3rd Ward
The Honorable Alisha Sonnier, Alderwoman 7th Ward
The Honorable Jami Cox Antwi, 8th Ward
The Honorable Michael Browning, Alderman 9th Ward
The Honorable Shameem Clark Hubbard, Alderwoman 10th Ward
The Honorable Laura Keys, Alderwoman 11th Ward
The Honorable Pam Boyd, Alderwoman 13th Ward

RESOLUTION NUMBER 231
HONORING BATTALION CHIEF MICHAEL CORNELL RICHARDSON

WHEREAS, we pause in our dedication to recognize the many accomplishments of Battalion Chief Michael Richardson; and

WHEREAS, Michael Cornell Richardson was born February 19, 1965 and was a very happy baby nicknamed Wiggles by his dad as he was always moving and wouldn't be still. This proved true throughout his life as he continued to move further and grow into whatever position or space he occupied; and

WHEREAS, Mike never met a stranger and was the life of the party wherever he went, always wanting the best for everyone. In 1983 Michael graduated from Cardinal Ritter High School. Afterwards he served 4 years in the army reserve. Michael was hired by the St. Louis City Fire Department on 8/31/1987 and his class consisted of 56 recruits and was the was the first class to include women. He was assigned as a firefighter at Engine House 24 as a private. On 12/11/1994 he was promoted from Private to Captain. On 12/25/1994 he was promoted to Captain at Engine House 9 on the A shift. On 8/19/95 he went to the Fire Academy at Headquarters as the Lead Training Instructor then he excelled to the Acting Chief Training Instructor. Later he became the Chief Training Instructor then Medical Officer; and

WHEREAS, Chief Richardson earned the opportunity to test for the position of Battalion Chief and was promoted on 7/11/2011. As a Battalion Chief he worked as Chief of Communications. We recognize and will be forever grateful to Chief Richardson for his dedication to the City of St. Louis notably remaining in his positions through 3 different administrations. He took pride in putting his footprint in the design of the new forthcoming 911 communications center that's in the process of being built, in fact one of Chief Richardson's greatest dedicated missions for not retiring was to see the call center come to fruition. He loved the Fire Department and was a devoted and passionate worker. To most it was just a job, but to him it was a genuine act of service where he was able to build other captains and serve and develop others into their roles, he truly loved working for the St. Louis City Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Michael joined in holy matrimony with Alicia Harris, on December 21, 2005. Alicia was a loving and devoted wife who remained a constant source of care, strength and support. Throughout their marriage, Mike and Alicia enjoyed traveling, hosting family functions at their home and spending time with their love ones. Mike poured love and wisdom into the lives of their nieces, nephews and cousins, as well as other children who called him Dad; and

WHEREAS, Mike was baptized at an early age at Oak Grove Baptist Church where he served in several key positions such as Sunday School Teacher, President of the Layman's Ministry, Chairman of the Education Committee, serving within Antioch District, serving as a member of the Oak Grove Board of Directors, then moved to the position of Treasurer of the Board. Mike also served as a junior deacon, then in 2006 passed the test to the position of Deacon continuing the support of all auxiliaries and maintenance within the church; and

WHEREAS, Michael's cherished memories will live on through his loving & devoted wife Alicia Richardson, special son Kendall Saunders, 2 sisters Doris Kerns (Preston) and Janet Richardson, and a host of family, loved ones, and friends. He touched the lives of so many and will truly be missed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Alderman of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to honor the life and legacy of Michael Richardson. We further direct the clerk of this board to spread a copy of this resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to the family by the sponsor.

Introduced this 30th Day of January 2026 by:
The Honorable Shameem Clark Hubbard of the 10th Ward

The Courtesy Resolutions Calendar was adopted under the Special Order of the Day.

25. **Miscellaneous and Unfinished Business**
None

26. **Announcements**
President Green directed the Associate Clerk to Announcements.

The Associate Clerk read the following:

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2026
NONE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2026
HUDZ MEETING-11AM-KENNEDY ROOM

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2026
NONE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2026
HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT-9AM-WEBINAR

PERSONNEL & ADMINISTRATION-11AM-KENNEDY ROOM

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2026
FULL BOARD MEETING-10AM-CHAMBERS

27. Excused Aldermen

President Green recognized Ms. Clark-Hubbard on the motion to excuse.

Ms. Clark-Hubbard stated that all members were present

28. Adjournment

President Green recognized Ms. Clark-Hubbard on the adjournment motion.

Ms. Clark-Hubbard moved to adjourn the meeting under rules until Friday, February 6, 2026, at 10am in the Chambers.

Seconded Ms. Sonnier.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to adjourn the meeting under rules until Friday, February 6, 2026, at 10am in the Chambers.

The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28am.

Minutes Submitted by:

Sharita Rogers

Acting Clerk, St. Louis Board of Aldermen