



**Agenda**  
**Legislation & Rules Committee**  
**Meeting**  
**St. Louis Board of Aldermen**  
**Tuesday, February 24, 2026 - 2:30 PM**  
**Kennedy Room**

President Megan Green  
Alderwoman Daniela Velazquez, Chair  
Alderman Matt Devoti, Vice Chair  
Committee Members:  
Alderman Shane Cohn  
Alderman Bret Narayan  
Alderwoman Laura Keys  
Alderman Alisha Sonnier

**Order of Business**

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Roll Call**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Approval of the minutes from Tuesday, February 10, 2026

**IV. Board Bills for Review**

(The committee will discuss and take public comment on the following)

**Board Bill Number 171**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier, President Megan E Green** An Ordinance amending Section 2 of Ordinance 47423 approved March 2, 1955, relating to requisitions for supplies not under contract, for the purpose of updating departmental minor purchase order thresholds and procurement procedures; and containing a severability clause and an emergency clause.

**V. Resolutions for Review**

(The committee will discuss and take public comment on the following)

**Resolution Number 245**

**Introduced by Alderman Thomas Oldenburg** BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN that the Board Aldermen hereby amends its rules for the 2025-2026 legislative session by the addition of a new rule which shall be and read as follows: "The passage of Board Bills for the appropriation of Rams Settlement Funds shall require the

affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members of the Board of Aldermen.”

**VI. Committee Discussions**

None

**VII. Acknowledgment of Any Written Testimony**

**VIII. Announcements**

**IX. Excused Members**

**X. Adjournment**



**Minutes**  
**Legislation & Rules Regular Committee**  
**Tuesday, February 10, 2026**  
**2:00 PM**  
**Kennedy Room**

**Minutes are preliminary and may change until finally approved**

**I. Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:04pm.

**II. Roll Call**

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll and the following members answered with their names: Ms. Keys, Ms. Sonnier, Mr. Devoti and Chair Velazquez. **4 members were present. A quorum was established.**

*Mr. Cohn joined the meeting after it began, bringing the total roll count to 5 members present.*

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Approval of the minutes from Tuesday, September 30, 2025, committee meeting.

The Chair entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, September 30, 2025, committee meeting.

Mr. Devoti moved to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, September 30, 2025, committee meeting.

Seconded by Ms. Keys.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, September 30, 2025, committee meeting.

The Associate Clerk called the roll.

The following voted Aye: Ms. Keys, Ms. Sonnier, Mr. Devoti and Chair

Velazquez. **4 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:  
None

The following abstained:  
None

The following were present but did not vote:  
None

**A total of 4 votes were cast. The motion carried.**

#### **IV. Board Bills for Review**

(The committee will discuss and take public comment on the following)

##### **Board Bill Number 54**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Daniela Velazquez** An ordinance submitting to the qualified voters of the City a proposed amendment to the Charter of the City of St. Louis repealing Section 5 of Article IV of the Charter in order to have the same non-partisan, top-two runoff system in special elections for Aldermen that is used in regular city elections; providing for an election to be held for voting on the proposed amendment and for the manner of voting; and for the publication, certification, deposit, and recording of this ordinance and containing an emergency clause.

The Chair turned the meeting over to Vice Chair Devoti so she could introduce Board Bill Number 54 before the committee.

Ms. Velazquez presented a PowerPoint Presentation before the committee.

After no further discussion, the Vice-Chair recognized Ben Borgmeyer, Democratic Director for the Board of Elections.

Mr. Borgmeyer spoke about how vacancy elections are conducted.

After no further discussion, the Vice-Chair opened the discussion up to members of the committee for questions and comments.

Members of the committee asked questions and made comments.

Hearing no further questions and comments from members of the committee, the Vice-Chair opened the discussion up to members of the public for public testimony.

**In Opposition to Board Bill Number 54**

1. Sean Fauss, 1st ward
2. Amber Cole, 11th ward
3. Wiley Price, 10th ward

After no further questions or comments from members of the committee, the Vice-Chair entertained a motion to pass Board Bill Number 54 out of committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

The Vice-Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to pass Board Bill Number 54 out of committee with a **Do Pass Recommendation.**

Ms. Sonnier moved to pass Board Bill Number 54 out of committee with a **Do Pass Recommendation.**

Seconded by Mr. Cohn.

The Vice-Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to pass Board Bill Number 54 out of committee with a **Do Pass Recommendation.**

The Associate Clerk called the roll.

The following voted Aye: Mr. Cohn, Ms. Sonnier, Mr. Devoti and Chair Velazquez. **4 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No: Ms. Keys  
One

The following abstained:  
None

The following were present but did not vote:

None

**A total of 4 votes were cast. The motion carried.**

After no further discussion, the Vice-Chair turned the meeting back over to Chair Velazquez to resume chairing the meeting.

**Board Bill Number 137**

**Introduced by Alderman Matt Devoti** 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 organization, to provide for modern methods of advertisement and publication, to delete obsolete references to Missouri statute, 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.

The Chair recognized Mr. Devoti for introducing Board Bill Number 137 before the committee.

Mr. Devoti discussed Board Bill Number 137.

After no further discussion, the Chair opened the discussion up to members of the committee for questions and comments.

Members of the committee asked questions and made comments.

After no further questions and comments from members of the committee, Ms. Sonnier asked for Board Bill Number 137 to be enbanc.

The Chair entertained a motion to enbanc Board Bill Number 137 out of committee.

Ms. Sonnier moved to enbanc Board Bill Number 137 out of committee.

Seconded by Ms. Keys.

The Vice-Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to enbanc Board Bill Number 137 out of committee.

The Associate Clerk called the roll.

The following voted Aye: Mr. Cohn, Ms. Keys, Ms. Sonnier, Mr. Devoti and Chair Velazquez. **5 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:

None

The following abstained:

None

The following were present but did not vote:

None

**A total of 5 votes were cast. The motion carried.**

After no further discussion, the Chair entertained a motion to pass Board Bill Number 137 out of committee with a **Do Pass Recommendation.**

Ms. Velazquez moved to pass Board Bill Number 137 out of committee with a **Do Pass Recommendation.**

Seconded by Ms. Keys

Ms. Velazquez requested the previous roll.

**Hearing no objection to the previous roll, the Chair stated that Board Bill Number 137 passed out of committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.**

The Associate Clerk recorded the votes from the previous roll.

The following voted Aye: Mr. Cohn, Ms. Keys, Ms. Sonnier, Mr. Devoti and Chair Velazquez. **5 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:

None

The following voted Present:

None

The following Abstained:

None

**A total of 5 votes were cast. The motion carried.**

**V. Resolutions for Review**

None

**VI. Committee Discussions**

None

**VII. Acknowledgment of Any Written Testimony**

None

**VIII. Announcements**

None

**IX. Excused Members**

The entertained a motion to excuse Mr. Narayan for necessary absence.

Mr. Devoti moved to excuse Mr. Narayan for necessary absence.

Seconded by Ms. Keys.

Ms. Velazquez requested the previous roll.

**Hearing no objection to the previous roll, the Chair stated that Mr. Narayan was excused for necessary absence.**

The Associate Clerk recorded the votes from the previous roll.

The following voted Aye: Mr. Cohn, Ms. Keys, Ms. Sonnier, Mr. Devoti and Chair Velazquez. **5 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:

None

The following voted Present:

None

The following Abstained:

None

**A total of 5 votes were cast. The motion carried.**

## **X. Adjournment**

Having no other business to discuss, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ms. Keys moved to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

Ms. Sonnier requested the previous roll.

Hearing no objection to the previous roll the Chair stated that the meeting was adjourned.

The Associate Clerk recorded the votes from the previous roll.

The Associate Clerk recorded the votes from the previous roll.

The following voted Aye: Mr. Cohn, Ms. Keys, Ms. Sonnier, Mr. Devoti and Chair Velazquez. **5 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:

None

The following voted Present:

None

The following Abstained:

None

**A total of 5 votes were cast. The motion carried.**

**The meeting adjourned at 2.46pm.**

[MIN\_SIGNATURES]

**Summary**  
**Board Bill Number 171**  
**Introduced by Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier**  
**February 13, 2026**

An Ordinance amending Section 2 of Ordinance 47423 approved March 2, 1955, relating to requisitions for supplies not under contract, for the purpose of updating departmental minor purchase order thresholds and procurement procedures; and containing a severability clause and an emergency clause.

**BOARD BILL NUMBER 171 INTRODUCED BY ALDERWOMAN ALISHA SONNIER**

**COSPONSOR: PRESIDENT MEGAN GREEN**

1 An Ordinance amending Section 2 of Ordinance 47423 approved March 2, 1955, relating to  
2 requisitions for supplies not under contract, for the purpose of updating departmental minor  
3 purchase order thresholds and procurement procedures; and containing a severability clause and  
4 an emergency clause.

5 **WHEREAS**, the Charter of the City of St. Louis establishes the governing framework for  
6 the procurement of goods, supplies, and materials by City departments; and

7 **WHEREAS**, on April 8, 2003, the voters of the City of St. Louis approved a Charter  
8 amendment authorizing purchases up to five thousand dollars without formal advertising, thereby  
9 updating procurement thresholds to reflect evolving purchasing practices; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Section 5.58.110 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis, originally  
11 enacted pursuant to Ordinance 47423 approved March 2, 1955, has not yet been updated to  
12 increase procurement thresholds as approved by voters in the 2003 Charter amendment; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Ordinance 59582 submitted to the qualified voters of the City of St. Louis a  
14 proposed Charter amendment that would have increased the advertising bid threshold to seven  
15 thousand dollars (\$7,000), and such Charter proposition was presented at a municipal election and  
16 was not approved by the voters and therefore did not take effect.

17 **WHEREAS**, the City has operated under procurement practices informed by both the  
18 Charter and the Revised Code, and clarification of the applicable thresholds and procedures will  
19 promote uniform administration and transparency; and

20 **WHEREAS**, amending Section of Ordinance 47423 to expressly reflect Charter-  
21 authorized thresholds and procedures will provide clear guidance to City departments, the Supply

1 Division, and the Comptroller, and will ensure consistency across City procurement provisions;  
2 and

3 **WHEREAS**, this Ordinance is intended to affirm, clarify, and implement existing Charter  
4 authority by updating the Revised Code to reflect current procurement thresholds and procedures.

5 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

6 **SECTION ONE.** Section 2 of Ordinance 47423 is hereby amended as follows:

7 **5.58.110 - Requisition for supplies not contracted.**

8 **A. Whenever any institution or department of the City, through the officer in**  
9 **charge thereof, shall make a requisition on the Supply Commissioner for any**  
10 **articles for which there shall be no contract as provided for in Section 5.58.090**  
11 **and when the amount to be purchased shall exceed the sum of ~~five hundred~~**  
12 **dollars ~~(\$500)~~ five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for any one article, and when the**  
13 **delivery of same is not to be continuous, the Supply Commissioner shall**  
14 **advertise for proposals for the furnishing of such articles, and the award on**  
15 **such proposals shall be approved by the Comptroller, the same as is provided**  
16 **for in Section 5.58.150; provided that when any article shall be purchased by**  
17 **the Commissioner as provided for above, and the delivery of the same is to be**  
18 **completed after thirty days, the Commissioner shall enter into contract for**  
19 **same as is provided for in Section 5.58.160.**

20 **B. Notwithstanding any provision of this Chapter to the contrary, City**  
21 **departments may submit to the Supply Division a requisition for the**  
22 **procurement of goods, supplies, equipment, or other tangible items when the**

1 total cost of such procurement does not exceed two thousand five hundred  
2 dollars (\$2,500) per transaction. Requisitions at or below this amount shall not  
3 require sealed bids or advertising.

4 **C. Requisitions submitted to the Supply Division in an amount greater than two**  
5 **thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) but not exceeding five thousand dollars**  
6 **(\$5,000) shall require sealed bids but shall not require advertising.**

7 **D. All requisitions submitted pursuant to this section shall be subject to approval**  
8 **by the Supply Division and shall be made only when such procurement is**  
9 **within an appropriated budget and for a lawful public purpose. All dollar**  
10 **thresholds set forth herein shall include applicable taxes, freight, handling,**  
11 **and set up costs.**

12 **E. The Board of Standardization is authorized to issue administrative rules**  
13 **prescribing procedures governing such requisitions, provided that such rules**  
14 **shall not reduce or eliminate the authority granted by this section.**

15 **SECTION TWO. Severability Clause.** The sections of this Ordinance shall be severable. In the  
16 event that any section of this Ordinance is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid,  
17 the remaining sections of this Ordinance are valid, unless the court finds the valid sections of the  
18 Ordinance are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void section  
19 that it cannot be presumed that this Board would have enacted the valid sections without the void  
20 ones, or unless the court finds that the valid sections standing alone are incomplete and are  
21 incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.

1 **SECTION THREE. Emergency Clause.** This being an ordinance for the preservation of public  
2 peace, health, and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the meaning of  
3 Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter, and, therefore, this Ordinance shall become  
4 effective immediately upon its passage and approval of the Mayor of the City.

## Ordinance 47423

An ordinance to amend Chapter 23 of the Revised Code of St. Louis, 1948, by repealing Sections 121, 122 and 125 thereof, relating to contracts for fuel, milk, ice, food, groceries, drugs, and other requirements of City Institutions, and enacting in lieu thereof a new section to be known as Section 121 pertaining to the same subject; to amend Chapter 23 of the Revised Code of St. Louis, 1948, by repealing Section 124 thereof, relating to the advertisement for proposals for the furnishing of said articles, and enacting in lieu thereof a new section to be known as Section 124, pertaining to the same subject, and containing an emergency clause.

Be it ordained by the City of St. Louis, as follows:

**Section One.** Chapter 23 of the Revised Code of St. Louis, 1948, is hereby amended by repealing Sections 121, 122 and 125 thereof, relating to contracts for fuel, milk, ice, food, groceries, drugs and other requirements of City Institutions, and in lieu thereof a new section is hereby enacted, to be known as Section 121 and pertaining to the same subject, which new section shall read as follows:

Section 121. When the Board of Standardization deems it necessary and proper and to the best interest of the City, the Supply Commissioner shall advertise for proposals and enter into contracts on the part of the City for furnishing, for a period not to exceed one year, all fuel, milk, ice, meat, butter, lard, fish, eggs, poultry, bread, gasoline, flour, corn meal, hay, corn, oats, ground feed, and all groceries and drugs not otherwise contracted for as may be needed for the use of all City offices and all other departments of the City, the articles to be delivered as required, from time to time, at the different institutions and

departments of the City, and he shall require a good and sufficient bond for the faithful performance of such contracts, which shall be approved by the Comptroller.

**Section Two.** Chapter 23 of the Revised Code of St. Louis, 1948, is hereby amended by repealing Section 124 thereof, relating to advertisements for proposals for the furnishing of articles to be purchased by the Supply Commissioner, and in lieu thereof a new section is hereby enacted, to be known as Section 124 and pertaining to the same subject, which new section shall read as follows:

Section 124. Whenever any institution or department of the City, through the officer in charge thereof, shall make a requisition on the Supply Commissioner for any articles for which there shall be no contract as provided for in Section 121 of this Chapter, and when the amount to be purchased shall exceed the sum of Five Hundred Dollars for any one article, and when the delivery of same is not to be continuous, the Supply Commissioner shall advertise for proposals for the furnishing of such articles, and the award on such proposals shall be approved by the Comptroller, the same as is provided for in Section 129 of this chapter; provided that when any article shall be purchased by the Commissioner as provided for above, and the delivery of the same is to be completed after thirty days, he shall enter into contract for same, as is provided for in Section 130 of this chapter.

**Section Three.** The passage of this ordinance being deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, and shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Approved: March 2, 1955.

**Ordinance 59582**  
**BOARD BILL NO. 213**

An ordinance to amend Section 2 of Ordinance 47423, approved March 2, 1955 as codified as Section 5.58.110 Revised Code of the City of St. Louis, 1980, relating to advertisements for proposals for the furnishing of articles to be purchased by the Supply Commissioner, by increasing the amount of articles which may be purchased without the necessity of advertising from five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) and containing an effective date.

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section One.** Section Two of Ordinance 47423, approved March 2, 1955 as codified as Section 5.58.110 Revised Code of the City of St. Louis, 1980, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Whenever any institution or department of the City, through the officer in charge thereof, shall make a requisition on the Supply Commissioner for any articles for which there shall be no contract as provided for in Section 5.58.090 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis, 1980 and when the amount to be purchased shall exceed the sum of seven thousand dollars for any one article, and when the delivery of same is not to be continuous, the Supply Commissioner shall advertise for proposals for the furnishing of such articles, and the award on such proposals shall be approved by the Comptroller, the same as is provided for in Section 5.58.150 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis, 1980; provided that when any article shall be purchased by the Commissioner as provided for above, and the delivery of the same is to be completed after thirty days, he shall enter into contract for same, as is provided for in Section 5.58.160 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis, 1980."

**Section Two.** This ordinance shall become effective upon the approval of the qualified voters of the City of St. Louis a Charter amendment authorizing purchases in amounts not exceeding seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) under one contract, with the written approval of the Comptroller, without advertising, after securing competitive bids.

**Approved: November 7, 1985**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 245  
AMENDING THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN RULES**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN** that the Board Aldermen hereby amends its rules for the 2025-2026 legislative session by the addition of a new rule which shall be and read as follows: “The passage of Board Bills for the appropriation of Rams Settlement Funds shall require the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members of the Board of Aldermen.”

**Introduced this 13th day of February 2026  
The Honorable Thomas Oldenburg, Alderman 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward**

**Adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2026 as attested by:**

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**Sharita Rogers  
Acting Clerk, Board of Aldermen**

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**Megan Green  
President, Board of Aldermen**