



**Minutes**  
**St. Louis Board of Aldermen Meeting**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Friday, March 13, 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. Sonnier, Ms. Cox Antwi, Mr. Browning, Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Tyus, Ms. Boyd, Mr. Aldridge, and President Green. **13 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. Keys and Ms. Velázquez*

**3. Opening Reflection or Prayer**

President Green recognized the Executive Director of Developmental Disability Resources, Shaylen Plank, to lead the members in the opening reflection/prayer,

Ms. Plank led the members in the reflection/prayer.

**4. Announcement of Any Special Order of the Day**

President Green recognized Mr. Aldridge for the purpose of suspending the rules to introduce Resolution Number 265.

Mr. Aldridge moved to suspend the rules in order to introduce Resolution Number 265.

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to suspend the rules in order to introduce Resolution Number 265.

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. 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:  
None.

The following voted Present:  
None.

The following Abstained:  
None.

The following were present but did not vote: **1**  
Ms. Velazquez

**A total of 14 votes were cast. The motion carried.**

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to place Resolution Numbers 265 at the end of the First Reading of Resolutions.

President Green recognized Ms. Schweitzer for the purpose of suspending the rules to introduce Resolution Number 266.

Ms. Schweitzer moved to suspend the rules in order to introduce Resolution Number 266.

Seconded by Mr. Browning.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to suspend the rules in order to introduce Resolution Number 266.

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

The following voted Aye:  
Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Narayan, Mr. Devoti, 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:  
None.

The following voted Present:  
None.

The following Abstained:  
None.

The following were present but did not vote: **2**  
**Mr. Cohn and Ms. Velázquez**

**A total of 14 votes were cast. The motion carried.**

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to place Resolution Numbers 266 at the end of the First Reading of Resolutions.

**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 265  
LAST DAY FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF BOARD BILLS FOR THE 2025-2026 LEGISLATIVE  
SESSION**

**WHEREAS**, Board of Aldermen Rule Number 56 of the Rules for the Board’s 2025-2026 Legislative Session reads as follows:

**Rule 56- Last Day for Introducing Bills**

The President shall, upon approval of the Board of Aldermen by Resolution, establish the last day for introducing bills. Notice of said date shall be posted on the Aldermanic Bulletin Board.

**WHEREAS**, President Megan Green established Friday, March 20, 2026 as the last full Board of Aldermen meeting before the Monday, April 20, 2026 Sine Die meeting which ends the Board’s 2025-2026 Legislative Session; and

**WHEREAS**, President Megan Green plans to establish Friday, March 13, 2026 as the last day to introduce Board Bills for the St. Louis Board of Aldermen’s 2025-2026 Legislative Session; and

**WHEREAS**, President Megan Green sponsored and received unanimous approval on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 for Resolution Number 5 which established Friday, February 13, 2026 as the last day to introduce Board Bills for the St. Louis Board of Aldermen’s 2025-2026 Legislative Session; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance to Board Rule Number 60 the setting of Friday, March 13, 2026 as the last day to introduce Board Bills for the 2025-2026 Legislative Session must be established by approval of a Board of Aldermen Resolution specifying a date; and

**WHEREAS**, by adoption of this Resolution President Green plans to change the last day to introduce Board Bills established by Resolution Number 5 approved on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 from Friday, February 13, 2026 to Friday, March 13, 2026.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that by adoption of this Resolution, the Board of Aldermen hereby establishes Friday, March 13, 2026 as the last day to introduce Board Bills for the its legislative session before the Monday, April 20, 2026 Sine Die meeting, which will end the Board’s 2025-2026 Legislative Session.

**Introduced this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026 by:  
The Honorable Megan Green, President, Board of Aldermen**

**Cosponsored by:  
The Honorable Rasheen Aldridge, Alderman of the 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**

President recognized Mr. Aldridge on the First Reading of Resolution Number 265.

Mr. Aldridge discussed Resolution Number 265.

Mr. Aldridge asked for unanimous consent.

Hearing no objection, President Green recognized Mr. Aldridge on the motion to adopted Resolution Number 265.

Mr. Aldridge moved to adopted Resolution Number 265.

Seconded by Ms. Clark-Hubbard.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to adopt Resolution Number 265.

**The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 266  
OPPOSING MISSOURI SENATE BILL 1586 AND SUPPORTING THE CONTINUED LOCAL  
ADMINISTRATION OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. Louis has long supported policies and programs that reduce landfill waste, promote recycling, and create sustainable jobs that improve the environmental health and quality of life of its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Missouri currently administers solid waste reduction, recycling, reuse, and composting initiatives through 20 regional Solid Waste Management Districts that foster collaboration among cities, counties, nonprofits, and businesses to address waste management challenges at the local level; and

**WHEREAS**, these districts administer grants that support waste diversion programs, recycling infrastructure, public education, and community-based environmental initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, for example, in fiscal year 2025, Solid Waste Districts put \$5,726,359 back into the local community through grant awards for waste reduction projects; and

**WHEREAS**, Missouri Senate Bill 1586 proposes to dissolve the State's Solid Waste Management Districts starting on August 28, 2026 and transfer their responsibilities and resources to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the elimination of local district governance would remove the ability of local communities to directly participate in decisions regarding recycling and waste reduction programs that affect their neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, the current regional district system has been successful in supporting effective waste diversion and environmental programs, including initiatives led by local nonprofit partners such as Earthday365, which in 2025 alone diverted approximately 13.7 million pounds of waste from landfills, as well as programs led by the Green Dining Alliance that assist restaurants in reducing food waste; and

**WHEREAS**, dissolving these districts would pose a risk to the grants and resources that support local recycling, reuse, repair, and composting initiatives, as well as the local green jobs and community partnerships that depend on this funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the landfill “tipping fees” generated by waste disposal in the St. Louis region are intended to support waste diversion and environmental improvements within the communities that generate those funds, and centralizing these revenues under state control could divert resources away from the successful local programs that currently rely on them; and

**WHEREAS**, effective waste management policies benefit from local knowledge, community engagement, and regional coordination, and preserving local oversight allows communities to design programs that respond to their specific environmental challenges and priorities, rather than relying on centralized statewide decision-making.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by this Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we hereby express our opposition to Missouri Senate Bill 1586 and any legislation that would dissolve Missouri’s Solid Waste Management Districts or remove local oversight of waste reduction and recycling programs and that the Board of Aldermen urges the Missouri General Assembly to preserve the existing district-based framework for waste diversion and recycling and to work collaboratively with local governments, regional districts, and community organizations to strengthen Missouri’s waste reduction infrastructure, not dismantle it. 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 and transmitted to members of the Missouri Senate Committee on Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources and to others as she sees fit.

**Introduced this 13th Day of March 2026 by:  
The Honorable Anne Schweitzer, Alderwoman of the 1st Ward**

**Cosponsor:  
The Honorable Megan Green, President of the Board of Aldermen**

President recognized Ms. Schweitzer on the First Reading of Resolution Number 266.

Ms. Schweitzer moved to send Resolution Number 266 to the Public Infrastructure and Utilities Committee.

Seconded by Aldridge.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to send Resolution Number 266 to the Public Infrastructure and Utilities Committee.

**The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

##### **5. Introduction of Honored Guests**

Mr. Aldridge recognized Cydney Johnson who is a new Executive Secretary for the Board of Aldermen.

Mr. Cohn recognized as his honored guest the new Director of Personnel Brian Light, several members of the Painters District Council, and Joanna Skooler from WashU.

Ms. Schweitzer recognized as her honored guest Emma Hayes who a member of the Youth Council in th 1<sup>st</sup> ward.

## 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, March 6, 2026, Full Board meetings.

Ms. Clark-Hubbard moved to approve the minutes of the Friday, March 6, 2026, Full Board meetings.

Seconded by Ms. Schweitzer.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to approve the minutes of the Friday, March 6, 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 131**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Jami Cox Antwi**

**Cosponsors: Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer/Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderman Michael Browning/Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

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.

**Delivered: Friday, March 6, 2026**

#### **Board Bill Number 132**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Jamie Cox-Antwi**

**Cosponsor: Alderman Michael Browning**

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.

**Delivered: Friday, March 6, 2026**

**Board Bill Number 157 As Amended in Committee**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard**

**Cosponsors: President Megan Green/Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderman Michael Browning/Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

An ordinance recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment appropriating \$3,800,000 of interest funds earned on the City's funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Pub. L. No. 117-2 (March 11, 2021) (ARPA); and authorizing the transfer of such funds for City's ability to provide services to prevent homelessness and displacement for households impacted by the tornado; containing an emergency and severability clause.

**Delivered: Friday, March 6, 2026**

**Board Bill Number 158 Floor Substitute**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard**

**Cosponsors: President Megan Green/Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderwoman Daniela Velázquez/Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderman Michael Browning/Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 72051, which ordinance repealed Ordinance No. 69056, to repeal certain provisions of Ordinance No. 72051 and reestablish a Clean Energy Development Board to administer a Property Assessed Clean Energy program within the City of St. Louis.

**Delivered: Friday, March 6, 2026**

**Board Bill Number 160**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer**

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

An ordinance recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment appropriating \$1,200,000.00 of interest funds earned on the City's funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; and authorizing the transfer of such funds for water infrastructure repair and replacement project purposes; and containing an emergency clause.

**Delivered: Friday, March 6, 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 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.

**Effective Date: April 3, 2026**

**Ordinance Number: 72099**

**Board Bill Number 122**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard**

An Ordinance determining that the Tax Increment Financing Plans listed in Exhibit “A” are making satisfactory progress, except as notes, under the proposed time schedule for completion of projects therein.

**Effective Date: April 3, 2026**

**Ordinance Number: 72100**

**Board Bill Number 123**

**Introduced by Alderman Michael Browning**

This Board Bill seeks to approve a Chapter 99 Redevelopment Plan and Blighting Study for the 4359 Lindell Blvd. Redevelopment Area. The proposed Bill does not allow for use of eminent domain within the area. This Board Bill will allow for up to a 10-year tax abatement at 90 percent for market rate projects and up to 15-year abatement for LIHTC projects.

**Effective Date: April 3, 2026**

**Ordinance Number: 72101**

**Board Bill Number 115 Floor Substitute**

**Introduced by Alderman Michael Browning**

**Cosponsors: Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer/Alderman Matt Devoti/Alderwoman Jami Cox Antwi/Alderwoman Pamela Boyd/Alderwoman Clark-Hubbard**

An ordinance, recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, appropriating funds 2 totaling [~~Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000)~~] [Four Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars 3 (\$4,100,000)] from those received into the City’s Capital fund pursuant to Ordinance Number 4 60419 as amended by Ordinance Number 61250 representing a portion of the one-half of the 5 operating balance of the General Fund from the preceding fiscal year for the purposes of 6 funding capital maintenance and improvements to the City’s flood wall as hereinafter detailed 7 and containing an emergency clause.

**Effective Date: March 3, 2026**

**Ordinance Number: 72102**

**Board Bill Number 137**

**As Amended**

**Introduced by Alderman Matt Devoti**

**Cosponsors: President Megan Green/Alderwoman Daniela Velázquez/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

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.

**Effective Date: March 23, 2026**

**Ordinance Number: 72103**

**Board Bill Number 146**

**Introduced by Alderman Matt Devoti**

An amendment to Ordinance 56736, requested by the Interim Sheriff of the City of St. Louis, modernizing the manner in which the Sheriff's Office issues parking identification identifying deputies operating personal vehicles during the performance of their official duties.

**Effective Date: March 23, 2026**

**Ordinance Number: 72104**

**Board Bill Number 147 As Amended**

**Introduced by Alderman Michael Browning**

An ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 60196, approved January 29, 1987, and to repeal Ordinance No. 64240, approved January 16, 1998, relating to the CWE South Business District, a special business district, established pursuant to the provisions of Sections 71.790 – 71.808 R.S.Mo.; by repealing Section Two of Ordinance No. 64240 which provides for the assessment and collection of an ad valorem tax not to exceed eighty-five cents (\$.85) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation of real property in the District, with an initial levy of that same rate but not to exceed seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00), and enacting a new Section Two pertaining to the same subject matter, but imposing an ad valorem tax not to exceed eighty-five cents (\$.85) per one hundred dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation of real property in the District without limitation as to the total assessment; and containing effectiveness, severability, savings, and emergency clauses.

**Effective Date: March 23, 2026**

**Ordinance Number: 72105**

**Board Bill Number 54 As Amended**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Daniela Velázquez**

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.

**Effective Date: March 6, 2026**

**Ordinance Number: 72106**

**Board Bill Number 131**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Jami Cox Antwi**

**Cosponsors: Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer/Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderman Michael Browning/Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

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.

**Effective Date: March 6, 2026**

**Ordinance Number: 72107**

**Board Bill Number 157 As Amended in Committee**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard**

**Cosponsors: President Megan Green/Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderman Michael Browning/Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

An ordinance recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment appropriating \$3,800,000 of interest funds earned on the City's funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Pub. L. No. 117-2 (March 11, 2021) (ARPA); and authorizing the transfer of such funds for City's ability to provide services to prevent homelessness and displacement for households impacted by the tornado; containing an emergency and severability clause.

**Effective Date: March 6, 2026**

**Ordinance Number: 72108**

**Board Bill Number 158 Floor Substitute**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard**

**Cosponsors: President Megan Green/Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderwoman Daniela Velázquez/Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderman Michael Browning/Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 72051, which ordinance repealed Ordinance No. 69056, to repeal certain provisions of Ordinance No. 72051 and reestablish a Clean Energy Development Board to administer a Property Assessed Clean Energy program within the City of St. Louis.

**Effective Date: March 6, 2026**

**Ordinance Number: 72109**

**Board Bill Number 160**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer**

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

An ordinance recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment appropriating \$1,200,000.00 of interest funds earned on the City's funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021; and authorizing the transfer of such funds for water infrastructure repair and replacement project purposes; and containing an emergency clause.

**Effective Date: March 6, 2026**

**Ordinance Number: 72110**

**b.) Office of the Mayor**

**Board of Adjustment.**

March 11, 2026

Honorable Board of Aldermen  
1200 Market St. Room 230  
Saint Louis, MO 63103

Dear Members of the  
Board,

I have the pleasure to submit the following individuals for appointment to the **Board of Adjustment**.

The appointment of **Anne Grice**, as an at-large member, who resides in the 10th Ward, and whose term will expire on **August 15, 2030**, replacing Joe Klitzing.

The appointment of **James Dallas**, as an at-large member, who resides in the 8th Ward, and whose term will expire on **August 15, 2030**, replacing Irene Soll.

The reappointment of **Carmelo Desemone**, as an at-large member fulfilling the real estate member requirement, who resides in the 2nd Ward, whose term expires **August 15, 2028**.

I respectfully request your approval of this appointment.

Sincerely,

**Cara Spencer, Mayor**  
**City of St. Louis**

President Green recognized Ms. Clark-Hubbard on the Mayor's appointments to the **Board of Adjustment**.

Ms. Clark-Hubbard moved to send the **Board of Adjustment** Mayor's appointments to the Housing Urban Development and Zoning Committee.

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to send the **Board of Adjustment** Mayor's appointments to the Housing Urban Development and Zoning Committee.

**The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

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 119****Introduced by Alderwoman Sharon Tyus**

This Board Bill seeks to approve a Chapter 99 Redevelopment Plan and Blighting Study for the 8111 North Broadway. Redevelopment Area. The project consists of the renovation of a mixed-use building in the Baden neighborhood. The prospective redeveloper acquired the property for \$20,000 and plans on renovating the building into event space, offices, and an apartment at the cost of \$75,000. The redeveloper plans to utilize private funds for this project. Based on the Recommended Abatement Map approved October 26, 2018 by Board of Aldermen Resolution 104, the staff recommends a 10-year tax abatement based on 95% of the assessed value of the incremental improvements.

**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.

**Board Bill 98 Floor Substitute****Introduced by Alderwoman Laura Keys****Cosponsor: Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

An Ordinance recommended by the Treasurer of the City in his capacity as Supervisor of Parking 2 Meters, authorizing and directing the City, acting through the Treasurer of the City in his capacity 3 as Supervisor of Parking Meters, to issue revenue bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to 4 exceed \$5 million; establishing the terms of sale of such bonds; appointing a trustee; approving 5 and authorizing the preparation, execution and delivery of necessary or appropriate documents and 6 actions; authorizing the reimbursement of certain amounts previously expended on the project to 7 be financed with the proceeds of the bonds; and containing severability and emergency clauses.

**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 recognized Ms. Tyus.

Ms. Tyus asked that Board Bill Number 119 be moved from the Perfection Informal Calendar, and placed on the Regular Perfection Calendar.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to move Board Bill Number 119 from the Perfection Informal Calendar, and placed on the Regular Perfection Calendar.

**The Associate Clerk Acknowledged.**

**Suspension of the Rules.**

President Green recognized Mr. Aldridge on the motion to suspend the rules in order to introduce Board Bill Number 175.

Mr. Aldridge moved to suspend the rules in order to introduce Board Bill Number 175.

Seconded by Ms. Clark-Hubbard.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to suspend the rules in order to introduce Board Number 175.

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

The following voted Aye:

Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Narayan, Mr. Devoti, 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: **1**

**Mr. Cohn**

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 Board Bill Number 175 on the First Reading of Board Bills

**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 175**

**Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

An ordinance authorizing and directing the Mayor and the Comptroller of the City of Saint Louis to execute two utility easements (the “Easements”), which shall give, grant, extend and confer on Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri, its agents, successors, and assigns, the right to construct, operate, use, maintain, repair, renew and/or remove electrical power line or lines of underground and/or above ground facilities and equipment on the land described in such Easements, 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

None.

Housing, Urban Development and Zoning Committee

None.

Legislation and Rules

None.

Personnel and Administration

None.

Public Infrastructure and Utilities Committee

**Board Bill Number 175**

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:

Board of Aldermen Committee Report March 13, 2026.

### **Housing Urban Development and Zoning Committee Report**

Ms. Clark-Hubbard of the Housing Urban Development and Zoning Committee submitted the following report, which was read:

#### **To the President of the Board of Aldermen:**

The Housing Urban Development and Zoning Committee, to which the following Board Bill was referred, reports that it reviewed this Board Bill on Thursday, March 12, 2026 and have discharged it with the following recommendations:

#### **Do Pass Recommendation:**

##### **Board Bill Number 168**

**Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

**Cosponsors: Alderwoman Jami Cox Antwi/Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard**

This Board Bill approves a petition to amend the boundaries of the existing Soccer Stadium Community Improvement District (the “District”) to conform with the current platting of the area. The District was originally formed in 2020 by Ordinance No. 71185. Property within the District was replated after the District was originally formed to accommodate the development of the soccer stadium and related parking, practice and team facilities. If this Board Bill is approved, certain excess property resulting the relocation of public rights-of-way associated with the construction of the soccer stadium will be removed from the District and certain property included in the footprint of the soccer stadium will be

#### **Do Not Pass Recommendation:**

None

#### **Without Recommendation:**

None

**Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard  
Committee Chair**

### **Public Safety Committee Report**

Mr. Narayan of the Public Safety Committee submitted the following report, which was read:

Board of Aldermen Committee Report March 13, 2026.

#### **To the President of the Board of Aldermen:**

The Public Safety Committee, to which the following Board Bill was referred, reports that it reviewed this Board Bill on Thursday, March 12, 2026 and have discharged it with the following recommendations:

#### **Do Pass Recommendation:**

**Board Bill Number 151**

**Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

**Cosponsors: President Megan Green/Alderman Thomas Oldenburg/Alderman Bret Narayan/Alderwoman Daniela Velázquez/Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard**

An Ordinance to amend the Public Nuisance Ordinance by repealing certain sections and adding new ones to create a Nuisance Review Board.

**Do Not Pass Recommendation:**

None.

**Without Recommendation:**

None.

**Alderman Bret Narayan  
Committee Chair**

**15. Report of Special Committees**

None.

**16. Board Bills for Perfection – Consent Calendar**

None.

**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 66 Committee Substitute**

**Introduced by Alderman Shane Cohn**

**Cosponsors: President Megan Green/Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

An ordinance amending Chapter 3.160 of the Revised Code of the City of St. Louis by establishing definitions and criteria for the impact assessment of redevelopment projects as required by Section 3.160.030(a)i)e; including a severability clause.

President Green recognized Mr. Cohn on the motion to perfect Board Bill Number 66CS.

Mr. Cohn moved to perfect Board Bill Number 66CS.

Seconded by Ms. Keys.

Mr. Cohn spoke on the Board Bill. Other members speaking included Ms. Tyus, Mr. Browning, Ms. Boyd, Ms. Sonnier, and Ms. Cox Antwi.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to Perfect Board Bill Number 66CS to the Perfection Calendar.

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

The following voted Aye:

Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Narayan, Mr. Devoti, Ms. Velázquez, Ms. Sonnier, Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Keys, Ms. Tyus, Mr. Aldridge, and President Green. **A total of 11 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No: **4**

**Mr. Cohn, Ms. Cox Antwi, Mr. Browning, 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.**

### **Board Bill Number 155**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Jami Cox Antwi**

**Cosponsors: Alderman Rasheen Aldridge/Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderman Michael Browning/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard**

An ordinance approving the petition establishing the Downtown St. Louis Sports And Entertainment Community Improvement District as a political subdivision to remediate blight and encourage redevelopment within the area generally bounded by Cole and Carr Streets to the North, the Mississippi River to the East, Interstate 64 to the South, and Jefferson Avenue to the West ; authorizing the issuance of obligations with maturities of up to twenty years ; appointing a seven-member Board of Directors ; and mandating the submission of annual budgets and performance reports to the City Register and the Missouri Department of Economic Development.

President Green recognized Ms. Cox Antwi on the motion to perfect Board Bill Number 155.

Ms. Cox Antwi moved to perfect Board Bill Number 155.

Seconded by Mr. Aldridge.

Ms. Cox-Antwi spoke on the Board Bill. Other members speaking included Mr. Aldridge.

Ms. Schweitzer asked to be added as a cosponsor to Board Bill Number 155.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to add Ms. Schweitzer as a cosponsor to Board Bill Number 155

### **The Associate Clerk Acknowledged.**

President Green called for the vote on the motion to Perfect Board Bill Number 155 to the Perfection Calendar.

**The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

**Board Bill Number 161 Committee Substitute**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer**

**Cosponsors: Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderman Michael Browning/  
Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard/Alderman Matt Devoti**

An Ordinance recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment amending certain ordinances by reappropriating certain amounts specified herein in an aggregate amount of \$5,464,157.84 for water infrastructure replacement and repair; and with an emergency clause.

President Green recognized Ms. Schweitzer on the motion to perfect Board Bill Number 161CS.

Ms. Schweitzer moved to perfect Board Bill Number 161CS.

Seconded by Ms. Keys.

Ms. Schweitzer spoke on the Board Bill. Other members speaking included Ms. Tyus

Mr. Aldridge and Mr. Narayan asked to be added as a cosponsor to Board Bill Number 161CS.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to add Mr. Aldridge and Mr. Narayan cosponsors to Board Bill Number 161CS

**The Associate Clerk Acknowledged.**

President Green called for the vote on the motion to Perfect Board Bill Number 161CS to the Perfection Calendar.

**The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

**Board Bill Number 167**

**Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge**

**Cosponsor: Jami Cox Antwi**

An ordinance amending ordinance number 68481 to create a limited exemption for convention facilities within the City of St. Louis for certain private events or trade shows. The exemption applies only under specified circumstances and is intended to allow flexibility for convention-related activities while maintaining the overall purpose and enforceability of existing regulations, including a severability clause.

President Green recognized Mr. Aldridge on the motion to perfect Board Bill Number 167.

Mr. Aldridge moved to perfect Board Bill Number 167.

Seconded by Ms. Cox Antwi.

Mr. Aldridge spoke on the Board Bill. Other members speaking included Mr. Cohn, Ms. Tyus, Ms. Cox Antwi, and Ms. Sonnier

President Green called for the vote on the motion to Perfect Board Bill Number 167 to the Perfection Calendar.

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

The following voted Aye:

Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Narayan, Mr. Devoti, Ms. Sonnier, Ms. Cox Antwi, Ms. Keys, Mr. Aldridge, and President Green. **A total of 8 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No: **6**

**Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Narayan, Ms. Velázquez, Mr. Browning, Ms. Tyus, and Ms. Boyd**

The following voted Present:

None.

The following Abstained: **1**

**Ms. Clark-Hubbard**

The following were present but did not vote:

None.

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

### **Board Bill Number 119**

#### **Introduced by Alderwoman Sharon Tyus**

This Board Bill seeks to approve a Chapter 99 Redevelopment Plan and Blighting Study for the 8111 North Broadway. Redevelopment Area. The project consists of the renovation of a mixed-use building in the Baden neighborhood. The prospective redeveloper acquired the property for \$20,000 and plans on renovating the building into event space, offices, and an apartment at the cost of \$75,000. The redeveloper plans to utilize private funds for this project. Based on the Recommended Abatement Map approved October 26, 2018 by Board of Aldermen Resolution 104, the staff recommends a 10-year tax abatement based on 95% of the assessed value of the incremental improvements.

President Green recognized Ms. Sonnier on the motion to perfect Board Bill Number 119.

Ms. Tyus moved to perfect Board Bill Number 119.

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

Ms. Tyus made the motion to adopt Amendment 1 to Board Bill Number 119.

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

President Green called on the motion to adopt Amendment 1 to Board bill Number 119.

**The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

Ms. Sonnier spoke on the Board Bill.

Ms. Sonnier made the motion to perfect Board Bill Number 119AAOF to the Perfection Calendar.

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to Perfect Board Bill Number 119AAOF to the Perfection Calendar.

**The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

**Suspension of the Rules.**

President Green recognized Ms. Schweitzer on the motion to suspend the rules in order to move Board Bill Number 161CS to the Third Reading and Final Passage of Board Bill Consent Calendar.

Ms. Schweitzer moved to suspend the rules in order to move Board Bill Number 161CS to the Third Reading and Final Passage of Board Bill Consent Calendar.

Seconded by Ms. Keys.

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to suspend the rules in order to move Board Bill Number 161CS to the Third Reading and Final Passage of Board Bill 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. Keys, Ms. Tyus, Ms. Boyd, 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 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 Board Bill Number 161CS at the end of Third Reading and Final Passage of Board Bills Consent Calendar.

**The Associate Clerk acknowledged.**

## **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 March 13, 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 110**

##### **Introduced by Alderwoman Sharon Tyus**

The overall purpose for this bill is to conditionally vacate the following street. The northern 109.965 +/- .035 feet of the 20-foot wide north/south alley and the eastern approximately 219 feet of the 15-foot wide east/west alley in City Block 3708 as bounded by St Louis Avenue, Newstead Avenue, Maffitt Avenue and Taylor Avenue. Petitioned by Care Stl Health. The vacated areas will be used to consolidate property to provide parking for commercial development.

#### **Board Bill Number 111**

##### **Introduced by Alderwoman Sharon Tyus**

The overall purpose for this bill is to conditionally vacate the following street. East Taylor Avenue from Broadway to Ouida Avenue. Petitioned by Hopkins Properties of St Louis LLC. The vacated areas will be used to consolidate property to provide parking for commercial development.

#### **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 148**

##### **Introduced by Alderwoman Pamela Boyd**

##### **Cosponsors: Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderwoman Jami Cox Antwi**

An ordinance, recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, appropriates to the Department of Health \$1,363,875.78 in funds received by the City of St. Louis pursuant to the national opioid settlement agreements; authorizes the expenditure of such funds, to the extent received; and contains an emergency clause.

#### **Board Bill Number 150**

##### **Introduced by Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard**

Pursuant to Ordinance Number 70333 as amended by Ordinance Number 71394 to calm the flow of traffic on the 6100 block of Washington Ave.

#### **Board Bill Number 156**

##### **Introduced by Alderman Michael Browning**

An ordinance updating the Forestry Division regulations for the planting, maintenance, preservation, and management of trees, shrubs, and plants in the City of St. Louis; containing definitions, administrative, regulatory, penalty, and severability provisions.

**Board Bill Number 159**

**Introduced by Alderman Michael Browning**

An ordinance providing for the execution and delivery of a Municipal Stormwater Grant Participation Agreement by and between the City of St. Louis and The Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, authorizing and directing the Director of the Streets Department and the Director of the Planning and Urban Design Agency to apply for and expend funds under such agreement for the purposes of a floodwall project, and containing an Emergency Clause.

**Board Bill Number 170**

**Introduced by Alderman Bret Narayan**

An Ordinance establishing a two-way stop site at the intersection of Forest Avenue and Glades Avenue regulating all traffic travelling north and southbound on Forest Avenue at the intersection of Forest Avenue and Glad Avenue; and containing an emergency clause.

**Board Bill Number 171 Floor Substitute**

**Introduced by Alisha Sonnier**

**Cosponsors: President Megan Green/Alderman Bret Narayan/Alderwoman Daniela Velázquez/Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderwoman Clark-Hubbard**

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 161 Committee Substitute**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer**

**Cosponsors: Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderman Michael Browning/Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard/Alderman Matt Devoti**

An Ordinance recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment amending certain ordinances by reappropriating certain amounts specified herein in an aggregate amount of \$5,464,157.84 for water infrastructure replacement and repair; and with an emergency 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 110**

**Introduced by Alderwoman Sharon Tyus**

The overall purpose for this bill is to conditionally vacate the following street. The northern 109.965 +/- .035 feet of the 20-foot wide north/south alley and the eastern approximately 219 feet of the 15-foot wide east/west alley in City Block 3708 as bounded by St Louis Avenue, Newstead Avenue, Maffitt Avenue and Taylor Avenue. Petitioned by Care Stl Health. The vacated areas will be used to consolidate property to provide parking for commercial development.

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**Board Bill Number 148****Introduced by Alderwoman Pamela Boyd****Cosponsors: Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier/Alderwoman Jami Cox Antwi**

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

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

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. Keys, Ms. Tyus, Ms. Boyd, 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**

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**Board Bill Number 161 Committee Substitute**

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**Cosponsors: Alderwoman Laura Keys/Alderman Shane Cohn/Alderman Michael Browning/Alderwoman Shameem Clark-Hubbard/Alderman Matt Devoti**

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**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.

**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 265**

**LAST DAY FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF BOARD BILLS FOR THE 2025-2026 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

**WHEREAS**, Board of Aldermen Rule Number 56 of the Rules for the Board’s 2025-2026 Legislative Session reads as follows:

**Rule 56- Last Day for Introducing Bills**

The President shall, upon approval of the Board of Aldermen by Resolution, establish the last day for introducing bills. Notice of said date shall be posted on the Aldermanic Bulletin Board.

**WHEREAS**, President Megan Green established Friday, March 20, 2026 as the last full Board of Aldermen meeting before the Monday, April 20, 2026 Sine Die meeting which ends the Board’s 2025-2026 Legislative Session; and

**WHEREAS**, President Megan Green plans to establish Friday, March 13, 2026 as the last day to introduce Board Bills for the St. Louis Board of Aldermen’s 2025-2026 Legislative Session; and

**WHEREAS**, President Megan Green sponsored and received unanimous approval on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 for Resolution Number 5 which established Friday, February 13, 2026 as the last day to introduce Board Bills for the St. Louis Board of Aldermen’s 2025-2026 Legislative Session; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance to Board Rule Number 60 the setting of Friday, March 13, 2026 as the last day to introduce Board Bills for the 2025-2026 Legislative Session must be established by approval of a Board of Aldermen Resolution specifying a date; and

**WHEREAS**, by adoption of this Resolution President Green plans to change the last day to introduce Board Bills established by Resolution Number 5 approved on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 from Friday, February 13, 2026 to Friday, March 13, 2026.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that by adoption of this Resolution, the Board of Aldermen hereby establishes Friday, March 13, 2026 as the last day to introduce Board Bills for the its legislative session before the Monday, April 20, 2026 Sine Die meeting, which will end the Board’s 2025-2026 Legislative Session.

**Introduced this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026 by:  
The Honorable Megan Green, President, Board of Aldermen**

**Cosponsored by:  
The Honorable Rasheen Aldridge, Alderman of the 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 266  
OPPOSING MISSOURI SENATE BILL 1586 AND SUPPORTING THE CONTINUED LOCAL  
ADMINISTRATION OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. Louis has long supported policies and programs that reduce landfill waste, promote recycling, and create sustainable jobs that improve the environmental health and quality of life of its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Missouri currently administers solid waste reduction, recycling, reuse, and composting initiatives through 20 regional Solid Waste Management Districts that foster collaboration among cities, counties, nonprofits, and businesses to address waste management challenges at the local level; and

**WHEREAS**, these districts administer grants that support waste diversion programs, recycling infrastructure, public education, and community-based environmental initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, for example, in fiscal year 2025, Solid Waste Districts put \$5,726,359 back into the local community through grant awards for waste reduction projects; and

**WHEREAS**, Missouri Senate Bill 1586 proposes to dissolve the State's Solid Waste Management Districts starting on August 28, 2026 and transfer their responsibilities and resources to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the elimination of local district governance would remove the ability of local communities to directly participate in decisions regarding recycling and waste reduction programs that affect their neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, the current regional district system has been successful in supporting effective waste diversion and environmental programs, including initiatives led by local nonprofit partners such as Earthday365, which in 2025 alone diverted approximately 13.7 million pounds of waste from landfills, as well as programs led by the Green Dining Alliance that assist restaurants in reducing food waste; and

**WHEREAS**, dissolving these districts would pose a risk to the grants and resources that support local recycling, reuse, repair, and composting initiatives, as well as the local green jobs and community partnerships that depend on this funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the landfill “tipping fees” generated by waste disposal in the St. Louis region are intended to support waste diversion and environmental improvements within the communities that generate those funds, and centralizing these revenues under state control could divert resources away from the successful local programs that currently rely on them; and

**WHEREAS**, effective waste management policies benefit from local knowledge, community engagement, and regional coordination, and preserving local oversight allows communities to design programs that respond to their specific environmental challenges and priorities, rather than relying on centralized statewide decision-making.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by this Honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we hereby express our opposition to Missouri Senate Bill 1586 and any legislation that would dissolve Missouri’s Solid Waste Management Districts or remove local oversight of waste reduction and recycling programs and that the Board of Aldermen urges the Missouri General Assembly to preserve the existing district-based framework for waste diversion and recycling and to work collaboratively with local governments, regional districts, and community organizations to strengthen Missouri’s waste reduction infrastructure, not dismantle it. 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 and transmitted to members of the Missouri Senate Committee on Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources and to others as she sees fit.

**Introduced this 13th Day of March 2026 by:**  
**The Honorable Anne Schweitzer, Alderwoman of the 1st Ward**

**Cosponsor:**  
**The Honorable Megan Green, President of the Board of Aldermen**

*The First Reading of Resolutions and Reference to Committees Calendar was adopted under the Special Order of the Day.*

**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 258 AS AMENDED  
OPPOSING MISSOURI HOUSE BILL 3066/SENATE BILL 1657 AND THE RECENT  
UNACCOUNTABLE ACTIONS OF THE POLICE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**WHEREAS**, the St. Louis Board of Police Commissioners (“Police Board”), a body where 4 of the 5 members are appointed by the Governor, has demonstrated a pattern of reckless fiscal behavior that threatens the financial stability of the City we all want to see thrive; and

**WHEREAS**, in February 2026, the Police Board submitted a proposed budget for that exceeded the State’s mandated amount by \$72 million; and

**WHEREAS**, this proposed budget included a near-doubling of officer salary, which accounts for an increase of more than \$30 million, which was submitted to the Mayor's office with less than a day’s notice before the Board voted to certify it. This denies the Mayor, who is the only member of the Board who represents the voters of the City, from providing a meaningful opportunity to review, analyze, or respond to its contents; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. Louis strongly supports its police officers and believes they deserve competitive salaries and the respect and investment that the essential nature of their work demands, which is why the City has been pouring a significant amount of resources into them; and

**WHEREAS**, The Police Board's approach does not represent a good-faith effort to lift up officers given that it more closely represents a power grab that bypasses the elected officials, the taxpayers, and the community partnerships necessary to make any raise sustainable and lasting; and

**WHEREAS**, St. Louis will never be made safer by a Police Board that operates as though the rest of City government does not exist; and

**WHEREAS**, Public safety is not achieved in isolation, but through streets that are maintained and give the residents pride in living there, youth who have opportunities to thrive instead of opportunities to get into trouble, families that are housed in buildings that are dignifying, and communities that are wholly invested in; and

**WHEREAS**, as it stands now, every dollar the Board seeks to take beyond what the City has budgeted, and what the State has mandated, is a dollar taken from the holistic approach to what makes us safe; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Cara Spencer has stated that the Police Board's proposed budget would force massive layoffs across Streets, Refuse, and every other City department. The Police Board's fiscal recklessness threatens the livelihoods of thousands of City employees and the services that residents depend on; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 21st, 2026 Missouri State Representative Brad Christ, who does not represent anyone who lives in the City of St. Louis, filed House Bill 3066 (“HB 3066”), which would remove all ability for the municipally ran Board of Estimate and Apportionment to deny line-item transfers for the Board, as well as transfer litigation cost for police misconduct from the State to the City; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 10, 2026, Missouri State Senator Travis Fitzwater filed Senate Bill 1657 (“SB 1657”), which is identical to HB 3066; and

**WHEREAS**, HB 3066 and SB 1657 would dramatically accelerate and entrench the City’s problems by allowing the Police Board to hide tens of millions of dollars from the City’s budget while also stripping the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of its authority to approve transfers within the police budget, eliminating a critical check on how public dollars are spent once appropriated; and

**WHEREAS**, If HB 3066 or SB 1657 becomes law, the liability for police-related lawsuits, settlements, and judgments would be transferred to the City of St. Louis, meaning St. Louis taxpayers would bear the full financial risk of police conduct while simultaneously being denied full visibility into the true cost of the department they are funding; and

**WHEREAS**, HB 3066 and SB 1657 would grant the Police Board the unilateral authority to move money between budget classifications without seeking approval from any elected or appointed oversight body, a power granted to no other City department; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has been working for several months in good faith with the Missouri Attorney General’s Office on a Memorandum of Understanding to resolve the important legal issues of representation, liability, payment, settlement authority, and other key issues, making these pieces of legislation both unnecessary and potentially counter to this collaborative effort that all parties believe is close to being resolved; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. Louis faces profound and layered public safety challenges that cannot be solved by budget increases alone, they require violence prevention, behavioral health response, trauma-informed services, neighborhood investment, and the kind of trust between residents and officers that is built through community engagement and accountability, not state mandates by an unaccountable Police Board. HB 3066 and SB 1657 make every one of these proven solutions harder by constraining the City’s fiscal flexibility and concentrating decision-making power in a board that answers to Jefferson City rather than to the people of St. Louis.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to oppose Missouri HB 3066 and SB 1657; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Board calls on the Police Board of Commissioners to immediately return to the table in good faith partners in order to develop a police budget that honors our officers, respects our residents, and reflects the realities of a city that must invest in all of its residents; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, The Board of Aldermen urges the City Counselor, on behalf of the City, to file for a declaratory judgment in a court of competent jurisdiction to obtain judicial clarification regarding the calculation of the percentage of the City’s General Revenue Fund required to be appropriated to the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department pursuant to state law. Such action shall petition the court to determine the methodology and dollar amount constituting the required appropriation from the City’s General Revenue Fund, including the statutory requirement that funding shall be no less than twenty-five percent (25%) by Fiscal Year 2028”

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that 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 members of the Missouri House Committee on Crime and Public Safety, the Missouri Senate Committee on Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety, and to others as she sees fit.

**Introduced this 6<sup>th</sup> Day of March 2026 by:**

**The Honorable Rasheen Aldridge, Alderman of the 14<sup>th</sup> Ward**

**Cosponsors:**

**The Honorable Megan Green, President of the Board of Aldermen**

**The Honorable Anne Schweitzer, Alderwoman 1<sup>st</sup> Ward**

**The Honorable Shane Cohn, Alderman 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward**

**The Honorable Bret Narayan, Alderman 4<sup>th</sup> Ward**

**The Honorable Daniela Velázquez, Alderwoman 6<sup>th</sup> Ward**

**The Honorable Alisha Sonnier, Alderwoman 7<sup>th</sup> Ward**

President Green recognized Mr. Aldridge on Resolution Number 258AA.

Mr. Aldridge moved to adopt Resolution 258AA

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

Mr. Aldridge spoke on the Resolution. Other members speaking included Mr. Devoti, Mr. Cohn, Ms. Sonnier, and Ms. Tyus

Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Cohn, Ms. Cox Antwi, and Ms. Tyus asked to be added as cosponsors to Resolution Number 258AA.

**The Associate Clerk acknowledge.**

President Green called for the vote to adopt Resolution Number 258AA to the Second Reading of Resolutions, Committee Reports and Adoptions Calendar.

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

The following voted Aye:

Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Cohn, Mr. Narayan, 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:

None

The following voted Present: **1**

**Mr. Oldenburg**

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.**

### **Suspension of the Rules.**

President Green recognized Mr. Browning on the motion to suspend the rules in order to introduce Resolution Number 264 to the Courtesy Resolution Calendar.

Mr. Browning moved to suspend the rules in order to introduce Resolution Number 264 to the Courtesy Resolution Calendar.

Seconded by Ms. Keys

President Green directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to suspend the rules in order to introduce Resolution Number 264 to the Courtesy Resolution Calendar.

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

The following voted Aye:

Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Oldenburg, Mr. Narayan, Mr. Devoti, 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: **1**  
**Mr. Cohn**

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 264 at the end of the Courtesy Resolutions Calendar.

**The Associate Clerk acknowledged.**

## **24. Courtesy Resolutions**

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

The Associate Clerk read the following:

**RESOLUTION 261**  
**HONORING ROBERT ANTHONY DOBYNES**

**WHEREAS**, Robert Anthony Dobyne Sr. "Bobby" was born to the union of Leo and Ella Mae Dobyne on July 5, 1955 in St. Louis, Missouri. Robert was the seventh of nine children. Growing up in such a large family taught him FAMILY FIRST and to love and look out for one another; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert loved learning and was a real mathematician. During Career Day in his sophomore year, he was introduced to the field of Optical Sciences which sparked a flame inside of him from that day forward. He graduated from Beaumont High School in 1974. Upon graduating, he took courses at Kennedy King Community College in Chicago, IL. and later finished his Associate's Degree in Ophthalmic Dispensing via St. Louis Community College-Meramec; and

**WHEREAS**, at the age of 18, he met the love of his life, Sandra Denise. He said, "I knew he liked her because of the way she carried her school books in her arms." They were united in holy matrimony on December 3, 1977 at Galilee. Their first "prized package," Robert Anthony Dobyne Jr. "Bobby J" was born December 1978. Then their first daughter, Camille LaShawn in September 1982 and finally Angie & Brandie in November 1985. They worked hard to provide a great life for their growing family; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert was an ambitious man and perfected his skills as an optician and supervisor working at Cole National Optical Lab in Iowa and Texas. In the midst of it all, that small flame continued to grow. What started as a dream became a reality and out of necessity and pure hustle, Robert and Sandra moved their family back to St. Louis and the Eye Fashion Factory was established in 1984. Now forty-two years later, the legacy of the Eye Fashion Factory continues with the second-generation ownership, Robert Dobyne Jr.; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert was a faithful member of Galilee Missionary Baptist Church serving as a deacon and sharing his love of cooking as part of the kitchen ministry. He also enjoyed BBQ cookouts and spending time with his big Dobyne family! He lived to make others laugh and enjoyed being the life of the party. Robert enjoyed sharing stories and pouring into his children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. He always raved about his family and was extremely proud to be a husband, father, and grandfather.

**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 and honor the life, legacy, and outstanding accomplishments of Robert Anthony Dobyne, Sr. 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 to the end that it may be presented to the honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

**Introduced this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026 by:**  
**The Honorable Pamela Boyd, Alderwoman 13<sup>th</sup> Ward**

**RESOLUTION 262**  
**HONORING PASTOR MARCUS AARON DIVINE**

**WHEREAS**, White Stone Missionary Baptist Church was organized on April 17, 1926 by Rev. Ellis with three deacons and seven members present. On May 10, 1926, Rev. Ike Lodge was elected Pastor with ten members present, and later in 1933, Rev. Mozell was elected Pastor; and

**WHEREAS**, The Church was located at 1110 N. 13th Street. Later Rev. Mozell resigned and Rev. Dickerson was elected Pastor until he resigned. In 1934 Rev. Monroe Lipsey was elected Pastor of the Church located at

1309 Biddle St. He was the Clergyman for sixteen years until he resigned in 1952. In 1953, Rev. R. L. Surret was elected Pastor at the located at 2716 Sheridan Street. Rev. Surret served until his health failed resulting in his resignation in 1970 from the church then located at 1726 Good Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, The New White Stone Missionary Baptist Church has suffered many trials and tribulations, however because the church is built on "The Rock" thanks be to God, and leadership, the church is till growing. New White Stone had a dream that someday, somewhere, through and by God, they would relocate. That dream came true on March 29, 1987 when an overflowing and rejoicing crowd marched in to their present edifice at 1444 N Union Ave; and

**WHEREAS**, New White Stone MB Church often reflects on the 20 members that have been with the Church for 30 or more years, in particular Sis. Mable Chatman of over 56 years, Deacon John Keys, and Sis. Alice Burns Johnson who was physically born in the church and through her spiritual birth remains faithful; and

**WHEREAS**, Pastor Marcus Aaron Divine served the congregation at New White Stone for many years before becoming the pastor. He held several positions in the church including as an Usher, driving the church van, and as a Sunday school teacher. He also served on the Deacon board, the trustee board, as the youth director, and soon became an associate minister. Pastor Divine has served New White Stone well for 21 years with exemplary dedication to his congregation and the City of St. Louis; and

**WHEREAS**, We congratulate Pastor Divine on 21 years of spiritual guidance and service and appreciate his faithfulness, dedicated service, willing spirit, and labor of love, recognizing under his leadership there have been many achievements. Sunday School and Prayer and Bible Study classes have grown from a few to many, the edifice has had improvements to the Baptistry, pulpit, the upper and lower levels, choir stands, new carpeting, handicap ramp and lift chair installations, furnishing of the Pastor's study, chairs and tables for lower level, air conditioning, a new P. A. system, purchase of a Baby Grand Piano, and updates to the education building next door; and

**WHEREAS**, New White Stone Missionary Baptist Church continues to humble themselves under the mighty hand of God and be the light and salt of the earth so that the lost can always come to Jesus and find rest.

**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, and celebrate Pastor Marcus Aaron Divine on his Twenty-First Pastoral Anniversary. 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 on March 15,2026 by the sponsor.

**Introduced this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026 by:  
The Honorable Shameem Clark Hubbard, Alderwoman 10<sup>th</sup> Ward**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 263  
HONORING THE LIFE OF EARL SMITH SR.**

**WHEREAS**, Earl was born in Detroit, Michigan to the union of George Washington Smith and Ora Belle Smith. He was the fifth of nine children. On March 1, 2026, Earl transitioned peacefully while surrounded by the love of his family; and

**WHEREAS**, Earl attended the Detroit Public School System, where he was known as an intelligent and thoughtful young man. Those early years helped shape the man he would become—someone who valued family, loyalty, and hard work above all else; and

**WHEREAS**, In time, Earl met and married the love of his life, Jessica Smith, and together they built a life centered on love and devotion. From this union, five children were born, and Earl took great pride in being a father. His family was truly the center of his world. As his family grew, so did his joy. Earl especially loved spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, always ready to give them plenty of his famous “Zoom Zooms, Wham Whams, and his famous gadgets;” and

**WHEREAS**, he was known to many of his friends as “Bird,” Earl was a private man with a generous spirit. While he valued his quiet nature, he never hesitated to make himself available when family or friends needed him. Earl loved music, singing, and dancing, and whenever he had a microphone in his hand, the world became his stage and everyone around became his background singers; and

**WHEREAS**, Earl did whatever was necessary to provide for and support his family. He was also a true gentleman who held his wife in the highest regard and never hesitated to say that he worshipped the ground she walked on. Jessica, in turn, took great pride in caring for Earl and remained faithfully beside him every step of the way. Though small in stature, Earl had a mighty presence, and people in both Detroit and St. Louis knew that he was not someone to be taken lightly; and

**WHEREAS**, Earl was a man of his word. No matter the circumstance, he showed up. He showed up for his daughters, he showed up for his sons, he showed up for his siblings, and he showed up for his family and friends. Most importantly, in 1983 he showed up in St. Louis for Jessica—and that is where their beautiful love story truly began. They were married in 1984 and never looked back; and

**WHEREAS**, Earl is the man, the myth, the legend and will truly be missed. He will forever be the hero for his family. Earl leaves to cherish his memory his wife Jessica, two daughters Carolyn “Candi” Smith (Les) and Eboni Smith (Terry). Three sons, Earl “Chip” Smith Jr. (LaTasha), Jeremy Smith (Latia), and Jermaine Smith. Eleven grandchildren Kirk, Jamel (Jennifer), Derron, Briana, Elijah, Alayhna, O’Rian, Ethan, Jermery Jr, Ian, Trinity and one great-grand daughter Leah. He also leaves behind a host of siblings, nieces, nephews, great nephews and a host of friends.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to honor the life of Earl Smith Senior. 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 13th Day of March 13<sup>th</sup> by:  
The Honorable Shane Cohn, Alderman of the 3rd Ward**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 264  
HONORING LATOSHA R. FOWLKES, LCSW**

**WHEREAS**, Paraquad is a nationally respected nonprofit organization and leader in the independent living movement, dedicated to empowering people with disabilities through advocacy, services, education, and partnerships that promote independence, inclusion, and access throughout the St. Louis region; and

**WHEREAS**, founded in 1970, Paraquad has long served as a leading voice for disability rights and community inclusion, advancing opportunities for people with disabilities in St. Louis and beyond, and since 2006 has operated from its current location on Oakland Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, in December 2025 Paraquad appointed Latosha Fowlkes, LCSW, as its new President and Chief Executive Officer, marking a historic milestone as the organization’s first African American CEO; and

**WHEREAS**, Latosha R. Fowlkes, LCSW brings more than two decades of leadership experience to this role, including her tenure as President and Chief Executive Officer of The Core Collective at Saint Vincent, where she led transformative initiatives supporting youth and families across the St. Louis region, and as a licensed Clinical Social Worker dedicated to strengthening communities and expanding access to opportunity; and

**WHEREAS**, in recognition of her outstanding leadership and commitment to community well-being, Latosha R. Fowlkes, LCSW received the Excellence in Mental Health Award from the St. Louis County Children’s Service Fund in 2023, was named a St. Louis Titan 100 in 2024 and 2025, and in 2026 was inducted into the St. Louis Titan 100 Hall of Fame;

**WHEREAS**, through bold leadership and an unwavering commitment to equity, dignity, and opportunity, Latosha R. Fowlkes, LCSW continues to champion a future in which individuals with disabilities are empowered to live, work, and thrive as full participants in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, through her leadership, compassion, and unwavering commitment to community, Latosha R. Fowlkes, LCSW continues to inspire progress and expand opportunity for people with disabilities throughout the St. Louis region, serving as a powerful example of leadership in action;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to honor Latosha Fowlkes. 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 13th Day of March 2026 by:  
The Honorable Michael Browning, Alderman of the 9th Ward**

Ms. Clark Hubbard asked to be added as a cosponsor to Resolution Number 264.

**The Associate Clerk acknowledged.**

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

Seconded by Ms. Sonnier.

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

**The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

**25. Miscellaneous and Unfinished Business**  
None

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

The Associate Clerk read the following:

**MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026**  
**POET LAUREATE TASK FORCE MEETING-4PM-WEBINAR**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2026**  
**HUDZ-11AM – KENNEDY ROOM**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2026**  
**PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND UTILITIES – 3:30PM – KENNEDY ROOM**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2026**  
**NONE**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 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, March 20, 2026, at 10am in the Chambers.

Seconded Ms. Keys.

President Green called for the vote on the motion to adjourn the meeting under rules until Friday, March 20, 2026, at 10am in the Chambers.

**The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 2:41pm.**

**Minutes Submitted by:**

**Sharita Rogers**

**Clerk, St. Louis Board of Aldermen**