



Minutes
Public Infrastructure & Utilities Committee
Wednesday, June 11, 2025
3:30 PM
Kennedy Room

I. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

II. Roll Call

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll and the following members answered to their names: Mr. Browning, Anne Schweitzer, Mr. Devoti, and Ms. Clark-Hubbard. **4 members were present. A quorum was established.**

III. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Wednesday, May 28, 2025, committee meeting.

The Chair stated they would entertain a motion to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, May 28, 2025, committee meeting.

Ms. Schweitzer moved to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, May 28, 2025, committee meeting.

Seconded by Ms. Clark-Hubbard.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to approve the Wednesday, May 28, 2025, committee meeting minutes.

The following voted Aye: Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Devoti and Mr. Browning

The following voted No:
None

The following abstained:
None

The following were present but did not vote:
None

A total of Aye 4, No 0, Abstained 0 were cast. The motion passed

IV. Board Bills for Review

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

Item Number 1

Board Bill Number 16

Introduced by Alderman Matt Devoti

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 5th ward.

The Chair recognized Mr. Devoti on Board Bill Number 16.

Mr. Devoti stated that he would like to have speed humps installed in various places in the Fifth Ward to calm the flow of traffic.

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

The committee members had no questions.

After no further discussion by the committee, the chair recognized Mr. Devoti to close.

Mr. Devoti asked for favorable consideration and a Do Pass Recommendation on Board Bill Number 16.

The Chair stated they would entertain a motion to pass Board Bill Number 16 out of Committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

Ms. Clark-Hubbard moved to pass Board Bill Number 16 out of Committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

Seconded by Ms. Schweitzer.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to pass Board Bill Number 19 out of Committee with a Do Pass Recommendation. The following voted Aye: Mr. Browning, Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Devoti, Ms. Clark-Hubbard

The following voted No:
None

The Following abstained:
None

The following were present but did not vote:
None

A total of Yes 4, No 0, Abstained 0 were cast. The motion passed.

Item Number 2

Board Bill Number 22

Introduced by Alderwoman Anne Schweitzer

An ordinance making appropriation for payment of the operating expenses, capital expenses, including lease purchase agreements and debt service expenses of the Parking Division of the Treasurer's Office for fiscal year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, in the sum of **Twenty Million, Seven Hundred Sixty-Four Thousand, Nine Hundred Dollars (\$20,764,900)** including **One Million, Nine Hundred Eighty Thousand, Four Hundred Forty-Two Dollars (\$1,980,442)** for Capital Improvements; containing an emergency clause.

The Chair recognized Ms. Schweitzer on Board Bill Number 22

Ms. Schweitzer announced that Mr. Adam Layne, the St. Louis City Treasurer, would be giving a presentation about Board Bill Number 22.

Mr. Layne presented a detailed breakdown of the operating costs, capital expenses, lease purchase agreements, and debt service expenses of the Parking Division.

After no further discussion, the Chair opened the discussion up to the committee for questions.

Ms. Boyd inquired about job fairs at SLATE and if they offer free parking at meters.

Mr. Layne mentioned that they offer free parking; however, the availability and location depend on the activities occurring downtown.

Mr. Devoti asked about the contract they have with the Sheriff's Department to provide event security.

Mr. Layne mentioned that they previously contracted out security services, but found them to be unreliable. Consequently, when those contracts ended, they decided to invest in full-time security personnel. While building their own security staff, they utilized the Sheriff's Department to provide event security.

After no further discussion from the committee, the chair recognized Ms. Schweitzer to close.

Ms. Schweitzer asked for favorable consideration and a Do Pass Recommendation on Board Bill Number 22.

The Chair stated they would entertain a motion to Pass Board Bill Number 22 out of Committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

Mr. Devoti moved to pass Board Bill Number 22 out of Committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

Seconded by Ms. Clark-Hubbard.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to pass Board Bill Number 22 out of Committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

The following voted Aye: Mr. Browning, Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Devoti, Ms. Clark-Hubbard

The following voted No:
None

The following abstained:
None

The following were present but did not vote:
None

A total of Aye 4, No 0, Abstained 0 were cast. The motion passed.

Item Number 3

Board Bill Number 26

Introduced by Alderman Michael Browning

An ordinance recommended by the Board of Public Service to conditionally vacate above surface, surface and sub-surface rights for vehicle, equestrian and pedestrian travel in the LaSalle Street from Dillon Drive to St Ange 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.

The Chair handed the meeting over to the Vice-Chair so he could bring forth Board Bill Number 26.

Mr. Browning provided an overview of Board Bill 26 and introduced Naisha, Tobais, St. Louis Housing Authority, and Stephanie Co from Preservation of Affordable Housing, who gave a presentation on the bill.

Ms. Co delivered a presentation outlining the project's progress and the remaining steps to completion.

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

The committee members asked questions and made suggestions.

The Vice-Chair stated they would entertain a motion to pass Board Bill Number 26 out of committee with a Do Pass Recommendation

Ms. Clark-Hubbard moved to pass Board Bill Number 26 out of Committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

Seconded by Mr. Devoti.

Ms. Boyd requested previous roll.

Hearing no objection to the request for previous roll, the Chair stated Board Bill Number 26 has passed out of committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

The Associate Clerk recorded the following votes from previous roll: The following voted Aye: Ms. Boyd. Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Schweitzer, Mr Devoti and Mr. Browning

The following voted No:
None

The following abstained:
None

The following were present but did not vote:
None

A total of Aye 5, No 0, Abstained 0 were cast. The motion passed.

Item Number 4

Board Bill Number 27

Introduced by Alderman Michael Browning

An ordinance recommended by the Board of Public Service to conditionally vacate above surface, surface and sub-surface rights for vehicle, equestrian and pedestrian travel in an irregular strip of Dillon Drive being the easternmost 10 feet beginning at the south right-of-way line of Chouteau Avenue and continuing southwardly to the south right-of-way line of LaSalle Street 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.

The Chair handed the meeting over to the Vice-Chair so he could bring forth Board Bill Number 27.

Mr. Browning provided an overview of Board Bill Number 27 and noted that the facts of this Board Bill were covered in the presentation.

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

The committee members had no questions.

The Vice-Chair stated they would entertain a motion to pass Board Bill Number 27 out of committee with a Do Pass Recommendation

Ms. Boyd moved to pass Board Bill Number 27 out of Committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

Seconded by Mr. Devoti.

Mr. Browning requested previous roll.

Hearing no objection to the request for previous roll, the Chair stated Board Bill Number 27 has passed out of committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

The Associate Clerk recorded the following votes from previous roll: The following voted Aye: Ms. Boyd. Ms. Clark-Hubbard, Ms. Schweitzer, Mr Devoti and Mr. Browning

The following voted No:
None

The following abstained:
None

The following were present but did not vote:
None

A total of Aye 5, No 0, Abstained 0 were cast. The motion passed

Item Number 5

Board Bill Number 30

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 various locations within the 1st Ward and Carondelet Park.

The Chair recognized Ms. Schweitzer on Board Bill Number 30.

Mr. Schweitzer stated that he would like to have speed humps installed in various places within the first ward and Carondelet Park to calm the flow of traffic.

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

The committee members had no questions.

After no further discussion by the committee, the chair recognized Ms. Schweitzer to close.

Ms. Schweitzer asked for favorable consideration and a Do Pass Recommendation on Board Bill Number 30.

The Chair stated they would entertain a motion to pass Board Bill Number 30 out of Committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

Mr. Devoti moved to pass Board Bill Number 30 out of Committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

Seconded by Ms. Clark Hubbard.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll on the motion to pass Board Bill Number 30 out of Committee with a Do Pass Recommendation.

The following voted Aye: Mr. Browning, Ms. Schweitzer, Mr. Devoti, Ms. Clark-Hubbard, and Ms. Boyd

The following voted No:
None

The following abstained:
None

The following were present but did not vote:
None

A total of Aye 5, No 0, Abstained 0 were cast. The motion passed.

V. Resolutions for Review

None

VI. Committee Discussions

Item Number 1

St. Louis Water Department

The St. Louis Water Department will review their annual report with the committee.

The Chair recognized Niraj Patel, Director of Public Utilities, on their annual report.

Mr. Patel delivered a presentation that offered a comprehensive overview of the Water Division.

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

Ms. Boyd inquired about programs available to help seniors with their water bills.

Mr. Patel mentioned the Customer Assistance program, stating they are nearing the announcement of the program, although there is no confirmed launch date yet.

Ms. Schweitzer inquired about how we can inform the public regarding the increase in water rates.

Mr. Patel noted that this forum is excellent for educating the public ahead of time as the costs are developed.

After no further comment from the committee, the Chair recognized the public to speak.

Public Speaker

1. Gerry Connelly

No further comment was taken on this matter.

VII. Acknowledgment of Any Written Testimony

None

VIII. Announcements

None

IX. Excused Members

None

X. Adjournment

Having no other business to discuss, the Chair adjourned the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 5:27 pm by voice vote

XI. Minutes approved: Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Minutes prepared by: Associate Clerk Rozlyn Smith