



Agenda
Budget & Public Employees Committee
Meeting
St. Louis Board of Aldermen
Wednesday, November 5, 2025 - 10:00 AM
Kennedy Room

President Megan Green
Alderman Rasheen Aldridge, Chair
Alderman Michael Browning, Vice Chair
Committee Members:
Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier
Alderwoman Daniela Velazquez
Alderman Matt Devoti

Order of Business

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes from Wednesday, October 29, 2025, committee meeting.

IV. Board Bills for Review

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

Board Bill Number 93

Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge, Alisha Sonnier, Shameem ClarkHubbard, President Megan E Green

An ordinance, recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, appropriating the sum of One Million and 0/100ths (\$1,000,000) Dollars of Rams Settlement Funds for deposit into the Impacted Tenants Fund as authorized by Ordinance 71840 and revised by Ordinance 72002; and containing a severability clause and an emergency clause.

Board Bill Number 94

Introduced by Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier, Shameem ClarkHubbard, Rasheen Aldridge, President Megan E Green

An ordinance, recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, appropriating the sum of Three Million Three Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Five and 05/100ths (\$3,365,535.05) of Rams Settlement Funds, for the purpose of supporting winter shelter needs for unhoused residents; authorizing and directing the Director of the Department of Human Services ("DHS") to execute contracts as may be necessary to

expend funds; and containing a severability clause and an emergency clause.

Board Bill Number 95

Introduced by Alderwoman Shameem Clark Hubbard, President Megan E Green

This Board Bill recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, appropriating the sum of Nine Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand and 0/100ths (\$9,350,000.00) Dollars of one-time unreserved General Operating Reserve funds for deposit into the Tornado Relief and Recovery Fund, for the purpose of supporting winter-related emergency shelter and additional tornado disaster relief to support housing of residents impacted by the May 16, 2025, tornado. It has a severability clause and an emergency clause.

V. Resolutions for Review

None

Resolution Number 136

Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis calls on the Board of Trustees of the Employees Retirement System of the City of St. Louis, to ensure that all of the city resources entrusted to their stewardship, including stock holdings, bond investments, and pension funds are not invested in companies that are complicit in perpetuating violence against people within our city or abroad according to the guidelines established by the American Friends Service Committee.

VI. Committee Discussions

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

Discussion Item Number 1

Pay Study for City Workers

The committee will discuss with various City Officials a pay study for City workers.

VII. Acknowledgment of Any Written Testimony

VIII. Announcements

IX. Excused Members

X. Adjournment



**Minutes
Budget & Public Employees Committee
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, October 29, 2025
6:00 PM
Kennedy Room**

Minutes are preliminary and may change until finally approved

I. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

II. Roll Call

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll and the following members answered their names: Mr. Browning, Mr. Devoti, Chair Aldridge and President Green. **4 members were present. A quorum was established.**

The following members joined the meeting while it was in progress making a total of 5 members present: Ms. Sonnier

III. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Wednesday, September 24, 2025, committee meeting.

The Chair entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, September 24, 2025, committee meeting.

Mr. Devoti moved to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, September 24, 2025, committee meeting.

Seconded by Mr. Browning.

The Chair directed the Associate Clerk to call the roll.

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

The following voted Aye: Mr. Browning, Mr. Devoti, Chair Aldridge and President Green. **4 Aye votes were cast.**

The following voted No:
None

The following abstained:
None

The following were present but did not vote:
None

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

IV. Board Bills for Review

None

V. Resolutions for Review

None

VI. Committee Discussions

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

Discussion Item Number 1

Rams Funds

The committee will discuss and receive a report on Rams Settlement Fund expenditures.

The Chair introduced Jim Hill, Chief Financial Officer for the office of the Mayor's Recovery Office, and Adam Pearson, Director of Human Services.

Mr. Hill gave a detailed PowerPoint presentation on the Rams' Interest.

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

The Committee asked questions.

Mr. Pearson, Jim Hill, Nahuel Fefer, Executive Director, Community Development Administration, and Dillion Holliam, Citywide Housing Strategist, St Louis Development Corporation, answered questions asked by the committee.

After no further comments from the committee, the chair recognized members of the Comptroller's office, Jason Fletcher, Deputy Comptroller, Donald Knese, Assistant Comptroller and Mekenzie Looney, Executive Assistant to the Comptroller to provide an update from the department.

After no further discussion, the Chair opened the discussions up to President Green.

President Green made a statement regarding the process and headway being made to get money to the people in need.

After no further discussion, the Chair opened the discussion up to members of the public for public testimony.

Rams Settlement Funds

Tophier Sudlick	Steve Crock	Kelly McGowan
Rya Oilboll	Art Clemens	Chris Wilcox
Michael Mclemore	Armon Walker	Kasey Fowler-Finn(online)
Cynthia Jordan	Andrew Rucker	Isla Frazier (online)
Tracey Bud	Melanie Marie	Dallas Adams
Wayne Phillips	Julie Allen (online)	

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

Members of the committee made comments.

After no further questions or comments from members of the committee. The Chair thanked the community for attending the meeting.

VII. Acknowledgment of Any Written Testimony

None

VIII. Announcements

None

IX. Excused Members

The Chair excused Ms. Velazquez for necessary absences.

X. Adjournment

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

Ms. Sonnier moved to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded President Green

Chair Aldridge requested the previous roll.

Hearing no objection to the request or previous roll, the Chair adjourned the meeting.

The motion was carried by unanimous consent.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 pm

Minutes Prepared by: Rozlyn Smith

Summary
Board Bill Number 93
Introduced by Alderman Rasheen Aldridge
October 31, 2025

An ordinance, recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, appropriating the sum of One Million and 0/100ths (\$1,000,000) Dollars of Rams Settlement Funds for deposit into the Impacted Tenants Fund as authorized by Ordinance 71840 and revised by Ordinance 72002; and containing a severability clause and an emergency clause.

**BOARD BILL NUMBER 93 INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN RASHEEN ALDRIDGE
COSPONSORS: MAYOR CARA SPENCER, PRESIDENT MEGAN GREEN/
ALDERWOMAN ALISHA SONNIER/ALDERWOMAN SHAMEEM CLARK-HUBBARD**

An Ordinance recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, authorizing and directing an appropriation in the total amount of One Million and 0/100ths (\$1,000,000) Dollars of Rams Settlement Funds for deposit into the Impacted Tenants Fund as authorized by Ordinance 71840 and revised by Ordinance 72002, and containing a severability clause and an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, at the time of filing, the amount of Settlement Funds, including accrued interest, that are available for appropriation totals \$254,365,535.05; and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Louis continues to experience an increase in the number of condemned residential properties due to unaddressed Building Code violations, leading to the involuntary displacement of tenants; and

WHEREAS, the involuntary displacement of tenants has been further exacerbated by the May 16, 2025 tornado, which damaged hundreds of homes and apartments, particularly in historically disinvested neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the Impacted Tenants Fund, established by Ordinance 71840 and amended by Ordinance 72002, provides critical financial support to tenants displaced through no fault of their own, including those affected by condemnations, natural disasters, and hazardous living conditions; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that the rising rate of condemnations and displacements constitutes a public health, safety, and housing stability crisis that demands immediate action and targeted financial resources.

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

SECTION ONE. Definitions.

1 A. **Available Monies.** “Available monies” shall mean the sum of interest and the principal
2 accessible for such distribution as indicated for each respective fund.

3 B. **Impacted Tenants Fund.** “Impacted Tenants Fund” shall refer to the financial aid
4 program authorized by Ordinance 71840 and amended by Ordinance 72002.

5 C. **Settlement Funds.** “Settlement Funds” shall refer to the funds the City received as a result
6 of the City’s settlement of litigation against Rams Football Team owner Stan Kroenke and
7 the National Football League.

8 **SECTION TWO.** There are hereby appropriated the sum of One Million and 0/100th Dollars
9 (\$1,000,000) of Available Monies from the Settlement Funds to the Department of Human
10 Services .The Director of the Department of Human Services is hereby authorized to make,
11 negotiate, and execute any and all contracts or other documents on behalf of the City to expend
12 such funds in accordance with Ordinance 71840 as amended by Ordinance 72002.

13 **SECTION THREE. Severability Clause.** It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Board
14 of Aldermen that each, and every part, section and subsection of this Ordinance shall be separate
15 and severable from each, and every other part, section, and subsection hereof and that the Board
16 of Aldermen intends to adopt each said part, section, and subsection separately and
17 independently of any other part, section, and subsection. In the event that any part, section, or
18 subsection of this Ordinance shall be determined to be or to have been unlawful or
19 unconstitutional, the remaining parts, sections, and subsections shall be and remain in full force
20 and effect, unless the court making such finding shall determine that the valid portions standing
21 alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accord with the legislative intent.

22 **SECTION FOUR. Emergency Clause.** This being an ordinance for the preservation of the public
23 peace, health and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the meaning of

- 1 Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis, and therefore, this
- 2 ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Summary
Board Bill Number 94
Introduced by Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier
October 31, 2025

An ordinance, recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, appropriating the sum of Three Million Three Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Five and 05/100ths (\$3,365,535.05) of Rams Settlement Funds, for the purpose of supporting winter shelter needs for unhoused residents; authorizing and directing the Director of the Department of Human Services (“DHS”) to execute contracts as may be necessary to expend funds; and containing a severability clause and an emergency clause.

**BOARD BILL NUMBER 94 INTRODUCED BY ALDERWOMAN ALISHA SONNIER
COSPONSORS: MAYOR CARA SPENCER/ PRESIDENT MEGAN GREEN/
ALDERWOMAN SHAMEEM CLARK-HUBBARD/ ALDERMAN RASHEED
ALDRIDGE**

1 An ordinance, recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, appropriating the sum
2 of Three Million Three Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Five and 05/100ths
3 (\$3,365,535.05) Dollars of Rams Settlement Funds, for the purpose of supporting winter shelter
4 needs for unhoused residents; authorizing and directing the Director of the Department of Human
5 Services to execute or purchase against existing contracts as may be necessary to expend funds;
6 and containing a severability clause and an emergency clause.

7 **WHEREAS**, in 2021, St. Louis City, St. Louis County, and the Regional Convention and Sports
8 Complex Authority signed a \$790 million settlement agreement with Rams owner Stan Kroenke
9 and the National Football League, resulting in the City negotiating receipt of \$280 million as its
10 share from the settlement agreement, of which \$30 million was appropriated to invest in the
11 Convention Center; and

12 **WHEREAS**, at the time of filing, the amount of Settlement Funds, including accrued interest, that
13 are available for appropriation totals \$254,365,535.05; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the taxpayer dollars of residents across the City funded the litigation that resulted in
15 the City receiving these Settlement Funds, and the Board of Aldermen finds that this legislation
16 satisfies the strong public purpose of providing winter shelter to unhoused residents; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the City recognizes that winter months bring severe weather conditions that pose
18 significant health and safety risks to individuals and families experiencing homelessness; and

19 **WHEREAS**, on May 16, 2025, an EF3 tornado cut a mile-wide path of destruction through St.
20 Louis City, with an estimate of over 5,000 households living in uninhabitable dwellings in the
21 immediate months after the tornado; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the line between being housed and unhoused is often perilously thin, with many
2 residents living one paycheck, medical bill, or unexpected expense away from homelessness; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the recent tornado that damaged thousands of homes across the City of St. Louis has
4 further destabilized already fragile housing conditions, displacing families, straining emergency
5 resources, and heightening the risk of exposure and hardship as winter approaches, underscoring
6 the urgent need for expanded winter shelter funding and emergency housing support.

7 **WHEREAS**, many of those tornado-impacted families remain unhoused or in their damaged
8 dwellings that are not safe for winter,

9 **WHEREAS**, ensuring the safety and well-being of all residents is a fundamental responsibility of
10 the City; and

11 **WHEREAS**, during periods of extreme cold, snow, and inclement weather, the availability of
12 emergency shelter space and services is critical to preventing exposure-related illness, injury, and
13 loss of life; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the City’s existing shelter system operates near or at full capacity during winter
15 months, creating an urgent need for additional temporary beds and warming spaces; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the St. Louis City Continuum of Care, community-based organizations, nonprofit
17 partners, and faith-based groups have demonstrated a willingness to collaborate with the City to
18 provide emergency shelter and supportive services; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the allocation of emergency funds will enable the rapid activation and operation of
20 additional winter shelter facilities, extended hours at existing shelters, procurement of necessary
21 supplies and services at new and existing shelters, transportation to shelter, and outreach efforts to
22 connect unhoused residents to safe indoor spaces; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the St. Louis City Board of Estimate and Apportionment and the Board of Aldermen
2 find that an emergency allocation of funds is necessary to protect public health, safety, and welfare
3 during the upcoming winter season.

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

5 **SECTION ONE. Definitions.**

6 A. ***Available Monies.*** “Available monies” shall mean the sum of interest accrued on the
7 Settlement Funds that is accessible for such distribution.

8 B. ***DHS.*** “DHS” shall mean the Department of Human Services of the City of St. Louis.

9 C. ***Settlement Funds.*** “Settlement Funds” shall refer to the funds the City received as a result
10 of the City’s settlement of litigation against Rams Football Team owner Stan Kroenke and
11 the National Football League, and any accumulated interest.

12 D. ***Tornado.*** “Tornado” shall mean the areas affected by the severe storms, straight-line wind
13 and tornado on May 16, 2025.

14 **SECTION TWO.** There are hereby appropriated the sum of Three Million Three Hundred
15 Sixty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Five and 05/100ths (\$3,365,535.05) Dollars of
16 Available Monies from the Settlement Funds to DHS. DHS is hereby authorized to make,
17 negotiate, and execute any and all contracts or other documents on behalf of the City to expend
18 such funds.

19 **SECTION THREE. Eligible Uses.** The funds appropriated pursuant to Section Two of this
20 ordinance shall be used exclusively for providing appropriations for the purposes of supporting
21 the emergency winter housing needs of the City’s unhoused residents, with such eligible uses
22 including but not being limited to the following:

- 1 A. Increasing temporary winter congregate and noncongregate shelter capacity located in the
- 2 City for unhoused residents, ensuring that funds are allocated so as to ensure a diversity
- 3 of shelter options are available to accommodate residents' individual needs and personal
- 4 characteristics;
- 5 B. Increasing access to warming centers, warming buses, and other warming facilities or
- 6 access points across the City; and
- 7 C. Increasing access to safe transport to shelters for unhoused residents; and
- 8 D. Increasing staffing and operational capacity to serve unhoused residents.

9 **SECTION FOUR. Administration, Implementation, and Accountability of Funds.**

10 A. DHS shall:

- 11 a. Have general oversight over and administer the funds appropriated pursuant to
- 12 Section Two of this Ordinance;
- 13 b. Recommend to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment specific awards of
- 14 funds appropriated pursuant to Section Two of this Ordinance, which may be
- 15 distributed through existing or new emergency contracts to specific recipients,
- 16 contractors, or vendors, and for which the requirements of City Ordinance 64102
- 17 may be waived due to the emergency nature of the eligible uses for such funds as
- 18 outlined pursuant to Sections Three and Seven of this Ordinance.

- 19 B. The Board of Estimate and Apportionment's approval of a specific contract or agreement
- 20 for disbursement to a recipient, contractor, or vendor shall constitute authority for the
- 21 City signatory to make such disbursement in accordance with the approved contract or
- 22 agreement.

1 C. The funds appropriated under Section Two of this Ordinance shall be included among the
2 funds subject to regular audits of City funds as required under law.

3 D. The Mayor's Office, or other applicable City department, shall provide a monthly report
4 to the Budget and Public Employees Committee detailing expenditures made pursuant to
5 this Ordinance; data on services provided, utilization of those services, and characteristics
6 of individuals utilizing those services; and provider experience, and may provide such a
7 report as part of the monthly reporting to the Budget and Public Employees Committee
8 pursuant to Section Two of Ordinance 72009.

9 E. Information on the uses and impact of the expenditures of funds pursuant to this
10 Ordinance, including data on services provided, utilization of those services, and
11 characteristics of individuals utilizing those services, and provider experience, shall be
12 included in the annual report on the uses and impact of tornado recovery funds as
13 provided for under Section Two of Ordinance 72009.

14 **SECTION FIVE. Restrictions on Use of Funds.** No monies may be disbursed from the funds
15 appropriated pursuant to Section Two of this Ordinance for any purpose other than that
16 authorized pursuant to this Ordinance. All contracts executed to expend funds appropriated
17 pursuant to Section Two of this Ordinance shall contain a provision explicitly stating that, in the
18 event of a violation of this Ordinance or a determination of fund misuse, the disbursed funds
19 shall be subject to clawback.

20 **SECTION SIX. Severability Clause.** It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Board of
21 Aldermen that each, and every part, section and subsection of this Ordinance shall be separate
22 and severable from each, and every other part, section, and subsection hereof and that the Board
23 of Aldermen intends to adopt each said part, section, and subsection separately and

1 independently of any other part, section, and subsection. In the event that any part, section, or
2 subsection of this Ordinance shall be determined to be or to have been unlawful or
3 unconstitutional, the remaining parts, sections, and subsections shall be and remain in full force
4 and effect, unless the court making such finding shall determine that the valid portions standing
5 alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accord with the legislative intent.

6 **SECTION SEVEN. Emergency Clause.** This being an ordinance for the preservation of the
7 public peace, health, and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the
8 meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis, and therefore,
9 this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Summary**Board Bill Number 95****Introduced by Alderwoman Shaeem Clark-Hubbard****October 31, 2025**

This Board Bill recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, appropriating the sum of Nine Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand and 0/100ths (\$9,350,000.00) Dollars of one-time unreserved General Operating Reserve funds for deposit into the Tornado Relief and Recovery Fund, for the purpose of supporting winter-related emergency shelter and additional tornado disaster relief to support housing of residents impacted by the May 16, 2025, tornado. It has a severability clause and an emergency clause.

BOARD BILL NUMBER 95 INTRODUCED BY ALDERWOMAN SHAMEEM CLARK HUBBARD

COSPONSORS: MAYOR CARA SPENCER/ PRESIDENT MEGAN GREEN

An Ordinance recommended by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, appropriating the sum of Nine Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand and 0/100ths (\$9,350,000.00) Dollars of one-time unreserved General Operating Reserve funds for deposit into the Tornado Relief and Recovery Fund, for the purpose of supporting winter-related emergency shelter and additional tornado disaster relief to support housing of residents impacted by the May 16, 2025, tornado; and containing a severability clause and an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, the City of St. Louis closed Fiscal Year 2025 (F25) with a General Fund Operating Budget Surplus of Eighteen Million Seven Hundred Thousand and 0/100ths (\$18,700,000.00); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with City Code of Ordinances § 5.35.010, half of the surplus, Nine Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand and 0/100ths (\$9,350,000.00) Dollars was added to the City's unreserved General Fund reserve; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2025, an EF3 tornado cut a mile-wide path of destruction through St. Louis City, creating an estimated \$1.6B in damaged property loss with over 5,000 structures impacted; and

WHEREAS, the City estimates 5,000 households were living in uninhabitable dwellings in the immediate months after the tornado; and

WHEREAS, the line between being housed and unhoused is often perilously thin, with many residents living one paycheck, medical bill, or unexpected expense away from homelessness; and

WHEREAS, many of those tornado-impacted families remain unhoused or in their damaged dwellings; and

WHEREAS, ensuring the safety and well-being of all residents and their neighborhoods is a fundamental responsibility of the City; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Alderman passed and the Mayor signed Ordinance 72009 on June 17,
2 2025 depositing Thirty Million and 00/100ths (\$30,000,000.00) in the Tornado Relief and
3 Recovery Fund to aid rapid response; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the aforementioned aid has been largely committed and additional housing related
5 aid is critical to the continuity of our Recovery efforts; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the allocation of additional emergency funds will enable expansion of winter shelter
7 support, home repair support to keep families in their homes, production of additional housing,
8 expanded deposit and rental assistance to help families find stable housing, and other critical
9 services to support critical rehousing efforts; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the St. Louis City Board of Estimate and Apportionment and the Board of Aldermen
11 find that the unprecedented need and insufficient amount of state and federal aid toward housing
12 necessitates an additional emergency allocation of funds to aid rapid response.

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

14 **SECTION ONE. Definitions.**

15 A. ***Available Monies.*** “Available monies” shall mean the sum of interest accrued on the
16 Settlement Funds that is accessible for such distribution.

17 B. ***Tornado.*** “Tornado” shall mean the areas affected by the severe storms, straight-line
18 winds, tornadoes and flooding on May 16, 2025.

19 **SECTION TWO.** There is hereby appropriated the sum of Nine Million Three Hundred Fifty
20 Thousand and 0/100ths (\$9,350,000.00) Dollars of one-time surplus General Revenue Funds into
21 a sub-account within the Tornado Relief and Recovery fund created pursuant to Ordinance
22 72009. All expenditures from said fund shall be disbursed in accordance with this Ordinance and
23 other applicable law. Appropriate sub-accounts may be created.

SECTION THREE. Eligible Uses. The funds appropriated pursuant to Section Two of this Ordinance into the Tornado Relief and Recovery Fund shall be used exclusively for providing appropriations for the purposes of supporting critical winter housing needs, home repair needs, housing relocation, housing production, such purposes including:

A. Increasing temporary winter congregate and noncongregate shelter capacity located in the City for unhoused residents;

B. Providing deposit and rental assistance to residents whose homes were severely damaged by the tornado to assist them with procuring safe intermediate housing during that time period, and other related moving costs;

C. Supporting the repair of homes and buildings damaged by the tornado which are located in the tornado impact area, and other related costs;

D. Supporting vacant unit turns to bring additional housing online; and

E. Other critical services and administrative capacity to accelerate rehousing efforts, including but not limited to case management, legal services, and staffing.

SECTION FOUR. Administration and Implementation of Funds.

A. The Office of the Mayor shall:

a. Have general oversight over and administer the funds appropriated pursuant to Section Two of this Ordinance;

b. Recommend to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment specific awards of funds appropriated pursuant to Section Two of this Ordinance, which may be distributed through existing or new emergency contracts to specific recipients, contractors, or vendors, and for which the requirements of City Ordinance 64102

1 may be waived due to the emergency nature of the eligible uses for such funds as
2 outlined pursuant to Sections Three and Seven of this Ordinance.

3 B. The Board of Estimate and Apportionment's approval of a specific contract or agreement
4 for disbursement to a recipient, contractor, or vendor shall constitute authority for the
5 City signatory to make such disbursement in accordance with the approved contract or
6 agreement.

7 C. The funds appropriated under Section Two of this Ordinance shall be included among the
8 funds subject to regular audits of City funds as required under law.

9 D. The Mayor's Office, or other applicable City department, shall provide a monthly report
10 to the Budget and Public Employees Committee detailing expenditures made pursuant to
11 this Ordinance. For funding pertaining to shelter services for the unhoused community,
12 detail shall be included on data on services provided, utilization of those services, and
13 characteristics of individuals utilizing those services; and provider experience, and may
14 provide such a report as part of the monthly reporting to the Budget and Public
15 Employees Committee pursuant to Section Two of Ordinance 72009.

16 E. For funding pertaining to shelter services for the unhoused community, detail shall be
17 included on, information on the uses and impact of the expenditures of funds pursuant to
18 this Ordinance, including data on services provided, utilization of those services, and
19 characteristics of individuals utilizing those services, and provider experience, shall be
20 included in the annual report on the uses and impact of tornado recovery funds as
21 provided for under Section Two of Ordinance 72009.

22 **SECTION FIVE. Severability Clause.** It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Board of
23 Aldermen that each, and every part, section and subsection of this Ordinance shall be separate

1 and severable from each, and every other part, section, and subsection hereof and that the Board
2 of Aldermen intends to adopt each said part, section, and subsection separately and
3 independently of any other part, section, and subsection. In the event that any part, section, or
4 subsection of this Ordinance shall be determined to be or to have been unlawful or
5 unconstitutional, the remaining parts, sections, and subsections shall be and remain in full force
6 and effect, unless the court making such finding shall determine that the valid portions standing
7 alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accord with the legislative intent.

8 **SECTION SIX. Emergency Clause.** This being an ordinance for the preservation of the public
9 peace, health, and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within the meaning of
10 Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis, and therefore, this
11 ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 136
ENSURING ETHICAL INVESTMENT OF CITY RETIREMENT FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis is steadfast in its commitment to advancing justice, equity, and the protection of human rights for all people, both within our own city and across the globe; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis recognizes that public funds are not merely financial tools but a direct reflection of public values, and therefore, carry a moral obligation to ensure its investments do not enable, support, or profit from violence or perpetuate violence, whether through occupation, apartheid, or genocide abroad, or the furthering of historical, systemic, or individual racism here in the City; and

WHEREAS, throughout this year's annual budget process, St. Louis residents have expressed a clear and consistent desire for greater investment in public health, calling for resources to be directed toward improving access to care, addressing health disparities, and strengthening community well-being since that is the moral thing to do; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis responded to this call by taking significant steps in the most recent budget cycle to prioritize public health, increasing funding for critical health programs and services, and demonstrating a commitment to the long-term health and vitality of all residents; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Aldermen is entrusted with safeguarding the investment policies of the City, ensuring they align with the social policies we hold ourselves to; and

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2024, the Board of Aldermen affirmed as one of our social policies the commitment to peace by passing a resolution calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza; and

WHEREAS, continuing to invest municipal resources in companies, whether domestic or abroad, that profit directly from perpetuating violence runs counter to these many renewed commitments; and

WHEREAS, as determined by the Not Another Nickel campaign's audit of city investments, the investments held by the City of St. Louis' retirement board are the only funds that do not meet the guidelines of the American Friends Service Committee.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis calls on the Board of Trustees of the Employees Retirement System of the City of St. Louis, to ensure that all of the city resources entrusted to their stewardship, including stock holdings, bond investments, and pension funds are not invested in companies that are complicit in perpetuating violence against people within our city or abroad according to the guidelines established by the American Friends Service Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Aldermen directs 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 31st day of October, 2025 by:

The Honorable Rasheen Aldridge, Alderman 14th Ward

Cosponsors:

The Honorable Megan Green, President, Board of Aldermen

The Honorable Shane Cohn, Alderman 3rd Ward

The Honorable Alisha Sonnier, Alderwoman 7th Ward

Adopted this 31st day of October, 2025 as attested by:

Terry Kennedy
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Megan Green
President, Board of Aldermen