

Joint Property Tax Advisory Committee

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JPTAC AGENDA

Monday, March 23, 2026
Saint Paul Public Schools – 360 Colborne Street
St. Paul, MN 55102

8:30 – 10:30 a.m.
Conference Room 5A

1. Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Director Henderson at 8:35 a.m.

Members present included:

Halla Henderson	Saint Paul Public Schools
Carlo Franco	Saint Paul Public Schools
Stacie Stanley	Saint Paul Public Schools

Rebecca Noecker	City of St. Paul
Cheniqua Johnson	City of St. Paul (arrived at 8:58 a.m.)
Hwa Jeong Kim	City of St. Paul
Nick Stumo-Langer	City of St. Paul

Garrison McMurtrey	Ramsey County (arrived at 8:37 a.m.)
Rena Moran	Ramsey County
Mai Chong Xiong	Ramsey County (arrived at 8:41 a.m.)
Ling Becker	Ramsey County

Members absent included:

Yusef Carrillo	Saint Paul Public Schools
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2. Approval of Agenda

Director Henderson moved to approve the order of the main agenda. It was seconded by Councilmember Noecker. It passed by acclaim.

3. Approval of Minutes from January 26, 2026 Meeting

Director Henderson moved to approve the Minutes from the January 26, 2026 JPTAC Meeting. It was seconded by Assistant Mayor Stumo-Langer. It passed by acclaim.

4. Legislative Updates

1. Ramsey County
2. City of Saint Paul
3. Saint Paul Public Schools

Each jurisdiction then reviewed their legislative updates - detailed information can be found in the meeting materials.

Director Henderson noted the fiscal impact summary and analysis of Operation Metro Surge and ICE in the metro area, and requested that information be shared with the committee. Director Franco requested further information to be shared on the special education cross-subsidy. Commissioner McMurtrey also requested information on the funds from the federal government. Director Franco also noted the underfunding in ELL services. Councilmember Johnson noted that these are statewide requests that affect multiple school districts across the state. Assistant Mayor Stumo-Langer noted the county and school district pressures, as these are services that must be provided, and we must all work together for our community. While we don't have control over some areas, Commissioner Moran appreciates the work of the entities to come together for the collective power. Councilmember Noecker noted questions about the projection of cuts to balance the state budget and the impacts of that. Superintendent Stanley noted the creation of the Blue Ribbon Commission for special education, and provided more details on their work. The group also noted the need for a letter to the governor that we cannot balance the budget on the backs of our public schools and families, and we need to look into other options, and to apply the long-term pressure. Scenario plans were also reviewed, as well as details on the errors to SNAP reimbursements, as well as waivers.

5. Update on Progress Towards Framework

County Manager Becker then provided this update, which included a map of all city, county, and school district buildings, procurement opportunities, and data practices contacts. Councilmember Noecker thanked Ms. Becker for her leadership and requested more details on the framework, including documentation, and recognition of inefficiencies under the three entities and the benefits of cross-sharing of resources. The goal is to reduce redundancy and improve cost savings, including collective contracts. Councilmember Johnson requested information on the timeline and alignment with the meetings of JPTAC. Director Henderson noted that it will need to be actionable and work for all three entities, as well as future conversations to review the framework. Ms. Becker noted that she can assign staff to lead this work. The statute and goals of the group were also reviewed, including to drive budget outcomes and to agree on an overall levy. Director Franco noted the next update in June, and the option of subgroups or committees and continued monitoring of the work. The different budgetary timelines were also noted. The group will also connect offline on this work. A potential JPTAC retreat was also noted to discuss further.

6. Member Discussion of Agenda Future Meeting Dates

- a. Other member discussion of other topics
- b. Future meeting dates include:
 - i. Monday, June 22, 2026 (SPPS)
 - ii. Tuesday, September 15, 2026 (Ramsey County)

7. Adjourn

Director Henderson moved to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Councilmember Johnson. The meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.