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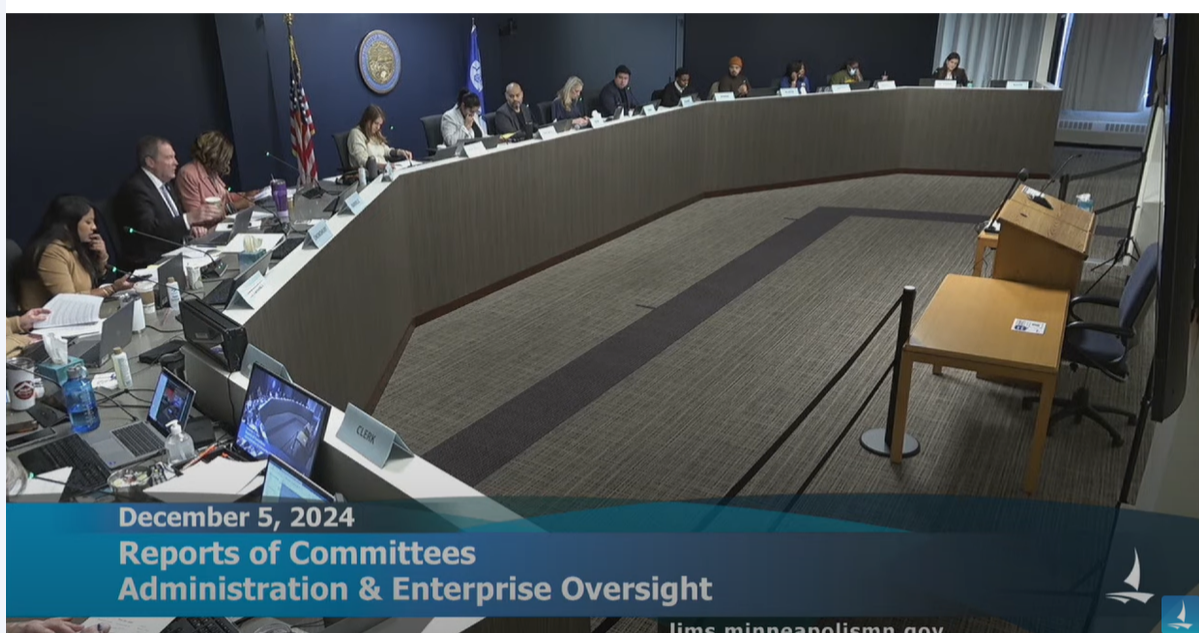
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Happy Thursday! In case you haven't heard, thanks in large part to our coalition's efforts, the Minneapolis City Council voted to uphold Mayor Frey's veto of the proposed Labor Standards Board today. Read about the vote below.

- **Next week**, I'll be back with our regularly scheduled update.

A Significant Victory for Minneapolis Businesses



Minneapolis City Council votes to uphold Mayor Frey's veto of the Labor Standards Board on December 5, 2024.

What happened: Today, we celebrate a significant victory for Minneapolis businesses. Five City Council members—Jenkins, Osman, Palmisano, Rainville, and Vetaw—stood firm in their support of local businesses by sustaining Mayor Frey's veto of the Minneapolis Labor Standards Board (LSB) resolution.

- **Why it matters:** This outcome represents over two years of work by our team at HM, our members and our coalition partners, who worked tirelessly to show up and make their voices heard. From the beginning, we maintained that the proposed board's structure would have created an undue burden on Minneapolis's hospitality businesses, particularly our small, independent establishments that help make our city's dining scene so vibrant.

The bottom line: While the future of labor standards in Minneapolis remains uncertain, the immediate impact of this decision is clear: the LSB resolution, in its current form, has been effectively halted.

- **THANK YOU!** We extend our sincere gratitude to all who participated in this important issue. Your advocacy has made a tangible difference.

Minneapolis Works Together Releases Statement on Today's Labor Standards Board Vote



Minneapolis, MN - Today, the Minneapolis City Council sustained a veto from Mayor Frey of the Labor Standards Board. Angie Whitcomb, on behalf of the [Minneapolis Works Together Coalition](#), which includes the Minneapolis Regional Chamber, Minneapolis Downtown Council, Hospitality Minnesota, Minnesota Retailers, and the Minnesota Licensed Beverage Association, shared the following statement:

Today is a victory for small businesses and the economic future of Minneapolis. We are grateful to the city council for sustaining the mayor's veto of the Labor Standards Board, and for listening to the concerns of businesses, neighborhood organizations, and community advocates across Minneapolis.

This decision sends a strong message—one that considers the needs of small businesses, employees, and the broader community. As Minneapolis continues its recovery and revitalization, we must prioritize collaboration and fairness to ensure our city remains a place where businesses can thrive, contribute to vibrant neighborhoods, and create opportunities for all.

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That's all for today, stay tuned for next Friday's normal GR Update!

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