

LAUDERDALE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Lauderdale City Hall
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August 10, 2016

The City Council held their annual goal setting session prior to the start of the meeting.

Roll Call

Mayor Dains called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Councilors present: Mary Gaasch, Roxanne Grove, Denise Hawkinson, Lara Mac Lean, and Mayor Jeffrey Dains.

Councilors absent: None

Staff present: Heather Butkowski, City Administrator and Miles Cline, Deputy City Clerk.

Approvals

Mayor Dains asked if there were any changes to the meeting agenda. Mayor Dains added a public safety discussion to the work session. Motion was made by Councilor Gaasch to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Councilor Grove, and carried unanimously.

Councilor Hawkinson moved to approve the City Council meeting minutes of July 26, 2016. Councilor Mac Lean seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Councilor Mac Lean moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to approve the claims totaling \$107,466.07. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent

Councilor Gaasch moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to approve the Consent Agenda thereby acknowledging the June Financials and Second Quarter Investment Report. Motion carried unanimously.

Informational Presentation / Reports

A. An update was provided for Day in the Park and the Farmers Market on August 18.

Discussion/Action Items

A. *LED Lighting Rollout Discussion with Xcel Energy Outdoor Lighting Representative*
Ed Bieging of Xcel Energy Outdoor Lighting addressed the Council. He said Xcel Energy was beginning to replace the existing high-pressure sodium fixtures at intersections with LED fixtures around the metro. Lauderdale will be one of the first cities to see its lighting replaced. This would likely happen over the course of one day in September.

Bieging explained that LED lighting has less of an orange glow and will reduce light pollution and light trespass in residents' yards. He also explained that the light would be "whiter" in color.

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Should the new lighting pose issues for residents, he said Xcel Energy crews will return to make adjustments.

B. Planning Assistance Grant Resolution 081016A.

The City will receive \$10,000 in planning assistance from the Metropolitan Council for the Comprehensive Plan update. In order to receive the money, the Council must adopt the prepared resolution.

Councilor Hawkinson moved and Councilor Grove seconded to adopt Resolution 081016A A Resolution Identifying the Need for Funding to Complete Its 2040 Comprehensive Plan Update and Planning Assistance Grant Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

C. 2017 Budget and Levy

Administrator Butkowski noted that more information and tax calculations would be made before the next meeting, after staff receive fiscal disparities revenue information from Ramsey County. She also updated the Council on the roll out of the new financial software. She highlighted the changes the Council would see with the new reporting. The change in large part stems from the revamped chart of accounts that will align with the State Auditor's recommended chart of accounts. In the near future, staff will switch from budgeting on spreadsheets using the old chart of account and begin budgeting in the new software with the new chart of accounts. Further information will be provided at the meeting on August 23.

Set Agenda for Next Meeting

The city administrator noted the next meeting may include the Comprehensive Plan RFP, preliminary budget and levy information, and information on the creation of a police work group.

Work Session

A. Public Comment

None.

B. Public Safety

Mayor Dains added a discussion of public safety to the agenda. He noted that city staff from Lauderdale, Falcon Heights, and St. Anthony have been meeting to lay the groundwork for a police work group. Mayor Dains directed staff to summarize the discussion and concerns of the Lauderdale residents in a letter to be sent to St. Anthony City Manager Mark Casey.

C. Community Update

None.

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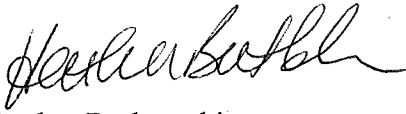
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Adjournment

There being no further business on the council agenda, Councilor Gaasch moved and seconded by Councilor Mac Lean to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Heather Butkowski".

Heather Butkowski
City Administrator