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Roll Call

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

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

Councilors absent: Mary Gaasch.

Staff present: Jim Bownik, Assistant City Administrator and Miles Cline, Deputy City Clerk.

Approvals

Mayor Dains asked if there were any changes to the meeting agenda. Councilor Mac Lean added a discussion regarding the recent influx of solicitors in the City. Motion was made by Councilor Hawkinson to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Councilor Grove, and carried unanimously.

Councilor Hawkinson moved to approve the City Council meeting minutes of August 10, 2016. Councilor Mac Lean seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Councilor Mac Lean moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to approve the claims totaling \$29,058.17. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent

Councilor Mac Lean moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to approve the Consent Agenda thereby acknowledging the July Financials and adopting of the new chart of accounts, Fund 201 Transfer and Closing Resolution 082316A, and the Revised 2016 Budget Resolution 082316B. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items

2017 Budget and Levy

Administrator Butkowski's memo to the Council indicated that the City would receive an additional \$15,000 in Fiscal Disparities revenue which will alleviate the need for a significant property tax increase. Additional information prepared by Ramsey County and provided to the Council showed that homeowners in Lauderdale will likely see a property tax decrease due to rising property values county wide and especially in the rental housing market. Staff will bring levy analysis options to the next meeting in anticipation of adopting the final levy at the September 27 City Council meeting.

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Additional Items

Councilor Mac Lean addressed the issue of roofing contractors in the area soliciting business due to the hail damage that occurred during a recent storm. She reminded homeowners that solicitors must possess a permit in order to knock on doors.

Set Agenda for Next Meeting

Bownik noted the next meeting may include the 2017 budget and levy and an update on the Lauderdale – Falcon Heights Fun Run and Halloween Party.

Work Session

a. Public Comment

Daniel Gumnit, 1951 Pleasant Street, addressed the Council. He questioned whether the Council was considering selling the city-owned lots to the north of his property as he would be interested in purchasing them if that were the case.

b. Community Development Update

The Council discussed the recent news that Tee-Squared, a screen printing shop currently located on East Hennepin Avenue in Minneapolis, will be moving to 2520 Larpenteur Avenue.

Adjournment

There being no further business on the council agenda, Councilor Mac Lean moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Miles Cline

Deputy City Clerk