

LAUDERDALE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Lauderdale City Hall
1891 Walnut Street
Lauderdale, MN 55113

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November 14, 2017

Roll Call

Mayor Gaasch called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

Councilors present: Kelly Dolphin, Roxanne Grove, Andi Moffatt, and Mayor Mary Gaasch.
Councilors absent: Jeff Dains.

Staff present: Heather Butkowski, City Administrator; Jim Bownik, Assistant to the City Administrator; and Miles Cline, Deputy City Clerk.

Approvals

Mayor Gaasch asked if there were any changes to the meeting agenda. Butkowski stated that she would like to add the sale of effects from 1821 Eustis Street to the Additional Items section. There being nothing else, Councilor Moffatt moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Gaasch asked if there were any changes to the meeting minutes. There being none, Councilor Dolphin moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2017, City Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Grove moved and seconded by Councilor Moffatt to approve the claims totaling \$88,520.98. Motion carried unanimously.

Informational Presentations/Reports

A. City Council Updates

Councilor Moffatt thanked City staff and all of the volunteers who helped with the Halloween party this year.

B. Jurisdiction Transfer of Eustis Street and Roselawn Avenue

Butkowski updated the Council on negotiations regarding the potential transfer of Eustis Street and Roselawn Avenue from Ramsey County to the City of Lauderdale. She mentioned that the City of Roseville is on board with the acquisition of their portion of Roselawn Avenue and the County is working with St. Paul Regional Water Services to determine their contribution to the project. The County has provided their cost estimates which the city engineer is reviewing. After the costs are understood, negotiations will continue.

Discussion/Action Items

A. Rental Housing Ordinance Revisions

Staff sent out letters to the rental property owners to gather feedback on the licensing process from their perspective. Butkowski went through the various questions and comments from the property owners with the Council. Staff are moving ahead drafting changes to the ordinance.

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B. 2018 Special Revenue and Enterprise Fund Budgets

Butkowski reviewed with the Council the first draft of the 2018 special revenue, capital improvement, and enterprise fund budgets along with a draft of the capital improvement plan.

Additional Items

A. Sale of Effects from 1821 Eustis Street

Butkowski said staff would like to begin selling items of value from 1821 Eustis Street such as the appliances. The plan is to list them on Craigslist.

Councilor Moffatt moved and seconded by Councilor Dolphin to dispose of the contents of 1821 Eustis Street. Motion approved unanimously.

Set Agenda for Next Meeting

Administrator Butkowski stated that the next council meeting may include a Ramsey County Sheriff's update, personnel policy revisions, and recycling, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer rate setting.

Work Session

A. Opportunity for the Public to Address the City Council

Mayor Gaasch opened the floor to anyone in attendance that wanted to address the Council. There being no interested parties to speak, Mayor Gaasch closed the floor.

B. Opportunity for 1821 Eustis Street

The City purchased 1821 Eustis Street as a foreclosure in April 2016 with intentions of improving Eustis Street specifically and small houses in the City in general. Staff was approached by the buyer of 1825 Eustis, who was interested in purchasing 1821 Eustis as well. The Council directed staff to bring back concept designs from the builder for further review.

Mayor Gaasch called for a five minute recess at 8:15 p.m. The meeting resumed at 8:21 p.m.

Closed Session

A. Develop and Consider Offers for the Purchase of Real Property – 1795 Eustis Street

Councilor Grove made a motion to move into closed session to develop or consider offers for the purchase of real property at 1795 Eustis Street in Lauderdale, Minnesota. Councilor Moffatt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilor Dolphin moved and seconded by Councilor Moffatt to come out of the closed session at 9:09 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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Adjournment

Councilor Grove moved and seconded by Councilor Moffatt to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Miles Cline
Deputy City Clerk