

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

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Call to Order

Mayor Gaasch called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Roll Call

Councilors present: Roxanne Grove, Andi Moffatt, Jeff Dains, Kelly Dolphin, and Mayor Mary Gaasch. Councilor absent: None.

Staff present: Heather Butkowski, City Administrator and Jim Bownik, Assistant to the City Administrator.

Approvals

Mayor Gaasch asked if there were any additions to the meeting agenda. There being none, Councilor Moffatt moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Gaasch asked if there were any corrections to the meeting minutes. There being none, Councilor Dains moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2019, city council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Gaasch asked if there were any questions on the claims. There being none, Councilor Dolphin moved and seconded by Councilor Dains to approve the claims totaling \$33,309.21. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent

Councilor Dains moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to approve the Consent Agenda thereby acknowledging the January Financial Report and approving the copier lease agreement with Metro Sales.

Informational Presentations/Reports

A. City Council Updates

Councilor Dains attended the League of Minnesota Cities Legislative Conference on February 21 with Mayor Gaasch and Administrator Butkowski. They visited with Senator Marty and Representative Hausman. Dains also attended a Ramsey County Heading Home meeting on February 15 where community leaders discussed ways to end homelessness in Ramsey County. Mayor Gaasch attended League of Minnesota Cities and Metro Cities board meetings.

Public Hearings

A. Small Wireless Facilities Ordinance

Butkowski explained staff's goal to draft a small cell wireless ordinance to address changes made to state and federal law. Small cell technology enables 5G communication. This

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ordinance applies to the installation of the technology in the public right-of-way. The purpose of the meeting was to hold a public hearing on the draft ordinance with consideration for adoption at a future meeting.

Mayor Gaasch opened the floor at 7:49 p.m. to anyone in attendance that wanted to address the Council. The Council noted the email they received from Grant Adams, 1922 Malvern Street, expressing concern over the small cell technology. There being no interested parties to speak during the meeting, Mayor Gaasch closed the floor at 7:50 p.m.

Discussion/Action Items

A. PUD Concept Plan Discussion with Real Estate Equities

Jennifer Haskamp, the City's consulting planner, presented her analysis of the concept plan. She also outlined the land use approvals process that would need to happen to allow for the project to be constructed.

Patrick Ostrom of Real Estate Equities presented their concept plan for Council consideration and feedback. The Council discussed with them such items as building height and massing, material selection, pet policies, green space, and neighborhood impact.

Butkowski noted that Real Estate Equities will present their concepts at a community meeting scheduled for March 19 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at City Hall.

B. Letter to FCC Chairman Regarding Proposed Cable Franchise Fee Rulemaking

Butkowski explained that Dana Healy, North Suburban Access Corporation (CTV) Executive Director, asked each CTV city to write a letter to the FCC chairman regarding recent proposed rulemaking that could cut the City's franchise fee. The rule would allow Comcast to cut franchise fees by the amount of "in-kind" support they provide. What this "in-kind" support is and the value of it is have not been defined. The Council discussed their perspective on the value of community television and the services provided by CTV. Staff will finish the letter with comments made and provide to Dana for inclusion with other letters she is collecting that will be presented to Congresswoman Betty McCollum requesting action on the matter.

Dana Healy introduced Jared Wiedmeyer, CTV's Government and Public Coordinator, to discuss new opportunities and services CTV is offering to cities in the consortium. Among them are the opportunity for enhanced videos about events happening in the City. For example, CTV staff will be working with city staff on a video of the March 19 community meeting with Real Estate Equities and the April 16 Eustis Street and Roselawn Avenue pre-construction meeting.

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Set Agenda for Next Meeting

Administrator Butkowski stated that the March 12 council meeting may include an emergency management agreement, small wireless facilities ordinance, and the Abdo, Eick, and Meyers financial planning proposal.

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. CTV Services and Opportunities Discussion with Executive Director Dana Healy

This item was discussed during the regular business portion of the meeting.

C. Community Development Update

Butkowski noted that the buyer and developer of Luther Seminary's land in Lauderdale attended a meeting to discuss the enhancements to Seminary Pond city staff have been working on with Capitol Regions Watershed District.

Adjournment

Councilor Moffatt moved and seconded by Councilor Dains to adjourn the meeting at 9:58 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Miles Cline
Deputy City Clerk