

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

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May 10, 2022

Call to Order

Mayor Gaasch called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Councilors present: Andi Moffatt, Jeff Dains, Roxanne Grove, Duane Pulford, and Mayor Mary Gaasch.

Councilors 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 Pulford moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Gaasch asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the April 26, 2022 city council meeting. There being none, Councilor Dains moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2022 city council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Gaasch asked if there were any questions on the claims. There being none, Councilor Grove moved and seconded by Councilor Pulford to approve the claims totaling \$110,955.01. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent

Councilor Moffatt moved and seconded by Councilor Grove to approve the Consent Agenda thereby approving the pay increase for public works employee Gordy Beck for holding an MPCA wastewater operator's license.

Informational Presentations/Reports

A. Briefing with Ramsey County Attorney John Choi

County Attorney Choi presented on his office's work to the Council. He touched on adult and youth crime statistics and the philosophy of his office on whether to prosecute particular crimes like drug possession and carjackings. He also discussed the on-going impact of COVID-19 on the court system as the backlog of cases have not been resolved.

B. City Council Updates

Mayor Gaasch noted the Regional Council of Mayors' discuss around the number of children waiting for mental health services.

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Discussion/Action Items

No items were considered.

Set Agenda for Next Meeting

Administrator Butkowski said the May 24 council meeting may include a Green Step Cities update, building safety month proclamation, the April financial reports, and a draft of the administrative citation program ordinance.

Work Session

B. Community Development Update

Butkowski shared that as interest rates rise and construction material prices soar, the developer requested a change to the financing for 1795 Eustis Street. They demonstrated that the financing gap on the project had grown from \$810,000 to \$920,000. Increasing the tax increment pledged from 75% to 90% over the same fifteen-year term would cover those costs. The city attorney will prepare a draft of the changes for the Council to consider at the next meeting.

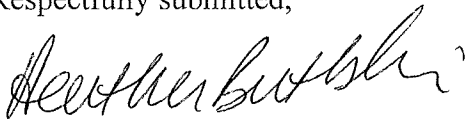
B. Opportunity for the Public to Address the City Council

Mayor Gaasch opened the floor to anyone in attendance interested in addressing the Council. There being no one interested in speaking, Mayor Gaasch closed the floor.

Adjournment

Councilor Pulford moved and seconded by Councilor Dains to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Heather Butkowski
City Administrator