# LAUDERDALE CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA 7:00 P.M. TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025 LAUDERDALE CITY HALL, 1891 WALNUT STREET

The City Council is meeting as a legislative body to conduct the business of the City according to Robert's Rules of Order and the Standing Rules of Order and Business of the City Council. Unless so ordered by the Mayor, citizen participation is limited to the times indicated and always within the prescribed rules of conduct for public input at meetings.

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

# 2. ROLL CALL

# 3. APPROVALS

- a. Agenda
- b. Minutes of the May 13, 2025 City Council Meeting
- c. Claims Totaling \$60,192.99

# 4. CONSENT

- a. April Finance Reports
- b. Continue Employment of Temporary Administrative Employee

# 5. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS/RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

# 6. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATIONS / REPORTS

a. Eureka Recycling Annual Report

# 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public hearings are conducted so that the public affected by a proposal may have input into the decision. During hearings all affected residents will be given an opportunity to speak pursuant to the Robert's Rules of Order and the standing rules of order and business of the City Council.

a. Lot Coverage Variance Application from Owners of 1961 Malvern Street

# 8. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEM

- a. Resolution No. 052725A Approving a Lot Division and 1.2 Foot Variance to the Side Yard Setback Requirement at 1836 Carl Street
- b. Request from the Environment and Sustainability Commission to Install a Pollinator Garden at Lauderdale City Hall.

# 9. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

# 10. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

# 11. SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

- a. May Finance Reports
- b. Resolution of Denial or Approval for Variance at 1961 Malvern Street
- c. Ramsey County Commissioner MaryJo McGuire

# 12. WORK SESSION

- a. Community Development Updates
- b. Opportunity for the Public to Address the City Council

Any member of the public may speak at this time on any item not on the agenda. In consideration for the public attending the meeting, this portion of the meeting will be limited to fifteen (15) minutes. Individuals are requested to limit their comments to three (3) minutes or less. If the majority of the Council determines that additional time on a specific issue is warranted, then discussion on that issue shall be continued at the end of the agenda. Before addressing the City Council, members of the public are asked to step up to the microphone, give their name, address, and state the subject to be discussed. All remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a whole and not to any member thereof. No person other than members of the Council and the person having the floor shall be permitted to enter any discussion without permission of the presiding officer.

Your participation, as prescribed by the Robert's Rules of Order and the standing rules of order and business of the City Council, is welcomed and your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

# 13. ADJOURNMENT

# You are invited to a Zoom webinar!

When: May 27, 2025 07:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada) Topic: March 27, 2025 Lauderdale City Council Webinar

Join from PC, Mac, iPad, or Android:

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# Call to Order

Mayor Gaasch called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

### Roll Call

Councilors present: Sharon Kelly, Duane Pulford, Jeff Dains, and Mayor Mary Gaasch. Councilor absent: Evan Sayre.

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 additions to the meeting agenda. There being none, Councilor Dains moved and seconded by Councilor Pulford to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Gaasch asked if there were corrections to the minutes of the April 22, 2025, City Council meeting. There being none, Councilor Pulford moved and seconded by Councilor Kelly to approve the April 22, 2025, City Council meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Gaasch asked if there were any questions on the claims. There being none, Councilor Kelly moved and seconded by Councilor Pulford to approve the claims totaling \$61,610.38. Motion carried unanimously.

# Consent

Councilor Dains moved and seconded by Councilor Kelly to approve the Consent Agenda thereby approving the Day in the Park temporary on-sale liquor license and the Capitol Region Watershed District Cooperative Agreement for Maintenance of Gasperre Ravine Improvements.

# **Public Hearings**

A. Variance and Lot Split Application for 1836 Carl Street

Josh Jeans, the owner of 1836 Carl Street, has two lots that had previously been consolidated into one Property Identification Number (PIN) for tax purposes. The applicant is requesting to divide the lot back into the originally platted lots.

Granting the request would create a nonconforming structure on the southern lot (proposed Parcel A). An existing house would be situated 3.8' from the lot line dividing the two lots. The Lauderdale Zoning Ordinance requires a 5' side yard setback. Thus, the lot division request requires approval of a 1.2' variance to the side yard setback requirements.

Mayor Gaasch opened the floor at 7:16 p.m. to those interested in addressing the Council on this topic.

Justin Whitman, 1832 Carl Street, shared that he and the neighbor's benefit from the green space of the

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open lot. He also said he feels like it is a money grab from someone who lives outside of the community. Finally, he shared his concerns about straining our emergency services, infrastructure repercussions, and privacy concerns.

Patricia Rosenberg, 1835 Pleasant Street, expressed her concerns about the new structure. She wanted to know if the construction process would adversely affect the neighborhood, and if the new structure would fit into the existing community.

Mayor Gaasch closed the floor at 7:23 p.m.

The Council discussed the request, and asked the owner of 1836 Carl Street, Josh Jeans, to answer a few questions that they had.

Councilor Pulford made a motion directing staff to bring back a resolution of approval for the next meeting noting three conditions.

- 1. Drainage from the house on Parcel A may discharge no closer than five feet from the property line as will be verified by the City's building official before any permits are issued for Parcel B.
- 2. The house on Parcel A must meet state building and fire code requirements, including a one-hour fire wall before any permits are issued for Parcel B.
- 3. All structures built on Parcel B must be located a minimum of 6.2 feet from the common lot line to ensure a separation of at least 10 feet between structures on the two lots.

This was seconded by Councilor Kelly and approved on a 3-1 roll call vote by Councilor Kelly, Councilor Pulford, and Mayor Gaasch. Councilor Dains voted in dissent.

# **Discussion/Action Item**

A. Tort Liability Limit Waiver Form

The City's workers compensation, property, liability, sewer backup, and auto insurance policies run from August to August. Staff work with the City's insurance agent annually to prepare the materials for the renewal. Annually, the City Council must determine whether to waive the municipal tort liability limits established by state statute. The City has not waived them in the past as it opens the City to greater financial liability. Staff recommend maintaining that practice.

Councilor Pulford made a motion authorizing staff to remit the Liability Coverage—Waiver Form to LMCIT as presented indicating the City does <u>not</u> waive the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by MS 466.04. This was seconded by Councilor Kelly and carried unanimously.

# B. Follow Up from April 22 City Council Meeting

During the last meeting, residents shared suggestions for ideas to improve communication, especially around dangerous dog incidents. Staff pulled the ideas together and responded with thoughts on what we currently do or could do. The comprehensive list was shared during the meeting.

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# Set Agenda for Next Meeting

Butkowski stated that the June 10 Council meeting might include the April finance reports, the Eureka Recycling annual report, and a resolution of approval for the variance lot split application for 1836 Carl Street.

# **Work Session**

A. Community Development Update

Butkowski shared that the sustainability fair took place at the end of April and by all accounts was successful. She continued to say that there is an environmental committee meeting next week, and finally, staff will put together congratulatory cards for the upcoming high school graduates residing in Lauderdale.

B. Opportunity for the Public to Address the City Council Mayor Gaasch opened the floor to those interested in addressing the Council.

Robert Jacobson, 1747 Carl Street, shared that he enjoyed the sustainability fair. He also said that he is concerned about the intersection of Carl Street and Ione Street with the number of children that play in the area.

Gary Brandenburg, 1773 Carl Street, thanked Administrator Butkowski for putting together the list of citizen concerns from the April 22 council meeting. He also asked for the dangerous dog topic to be addressed at a future meeting for more residents to attend.

# Adjournment

Councilor Dains moved and seconded by Councilor Pulford to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Miles Cline

Deputy City Clerk

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CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAUDERDALE CITY HALL 1891 WALNUT STREET LAUDERDALE, MN 55113 651-792-7650 651-631-2066 FAX

# **Request for Council Action**

To:

Mayor and City Council

From:

City Administrator

**Meeting Date:** 

May 27, 2025

Subject:

List of Claims

The claims totaling \$60,192.99 are provided for City Council review and approval that includes check numbers 29398 to 29418.

# Accounts Payable

# Checks by Date - Detail by Check Date

User:

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Printed:

5/23/2025 11:49 AM



Check Amount	Check Date Reference	Vendor Name Description	Vendor No Invoice No	Check No
249.92	05/23/2025 PR Batch 51100.05.2025 Unic	AFSCME MN Council 5 PR Batch 51100.05.2025 Union Dues	34	ACH
249.92	this ACH Check for Vendor 34:	Total for		
	05/23/2025	BCBSM Inc	389	ACH
12.82	PR Batch 51100.05.2025 Visio	PR Batch 51100.05.2025 Vision Insurance		
12.82	nis ACH Check for Vendor 389:	Total for t		
	05/23/2025	Securian Life Insurance Company	415	ACH
229.23	PR Batch 51100.05.2025 Life	PR Batch 51100.05.2025 Life Insurance		
229.23	nis ACH Check for Vendor 415:	Total for t		
	05/23/2025	Madison National Life Ins Co Inc	423	ACH
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93.64	PR Batch 51100.05.2025 Shor	PR Batch 51100.05.2025 Short Term Disability		
195.29	nis ACH Check for Vendor 423:	Total for t		
	05/23/2025	Public Employees Retirement Association	43	ACH
1,323.67	PR Batch 51100.05.2025 PER	PR Batch 51100.05.2025 PERA Coordinated		
1,147.17	PR Batch 51100.05.2025 PER	PR Batch 51100.05.2025 PERA Coordinated		
2,470.84	this ACH Check for Vendor 43:	Total for		
	05/23/2025	Minnesota Department of Revenue	44	ACH
818.72	PR Batch 51100.05.2025 State	PR Batch 51100.05.2025 State Income Tax		
818.72	this ACH Check for Vendor 44:	Total for		
	05/23/2025	ICMA Retirement Corporation	45	ACH
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2,870.17	this ACH Check for Vendor 45:	Total for		
	05/23/2025	Internal Revenue Service	46	ACH
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5,405.65	this ACH Check for Vendor 46:	Total for		
12,252.64	Total for 5/23/2025:			
	05/27/2025	Be There Pest Control LLC	15	29398

Check No	Vendor No Invoice No	Vendor Name Description	Check Date Reference	Check Amount
	84008	2Q25 Pest Control		118.00
			Total for Check Number 29398:	118.00
29399	369	BMI	05/27/2025	
	59043230	DIP Music License		446.00
			Total for Check Number 29399:	446.00
29400	192 240435313	Comcast Holdings Corporation May Internet	05/27/2025	413.00
	240433313	May internet		
			Total for Check Number 29400:	413.00
29401	25 EMCOM-12458	County of Ramsey April Fleet Support	05/27/2025	6.24
	EMCOM-12473	April 911 Dispatch Services		553.67
	EMCOM-12490	April CAD Services		83.17
			Total for Check Number 29401:	643.08
29402	25	County of Ramsey	05/27/2025	
	052025	Recording Fee - 1760 Carl Street Tree Remov	val	46.00
			Total for Check Number 29402:	46.00
29403	223 10814436941	Dell Marketing LP Council Room Computer	05/27/2025	993.01
			Total for Check Number 29403:	993.01
29404	19 101290	Ehlers and Associates Inc 2025 Continuing Disclosure Report	05/27/2025	850.00
			Total for Check Number 29404:	850.00
29405	451 052025	Good Tree Care LTD Tree Removal - 1760 Carl Street	05/27/2025	9,737.50
			Total for Check Number 29405:	9,737.50
29406	450	Connie Goodmanson	05/27/2025	
	052025	Refund for Social Room Cancelation		75.00
			Total for Check Number 29406:	75.00
29407	31	Kennedy & Graven Chartered	05/27/2025	
	187702 187702	April Legal- 1852 Carl Hazardous Structure April Legal Services		2,290.00 440.00
	187702	April Legal Services		
			Total for Check Number 29407:	2,730.00
29408	185 052025	Lauderdale Certified Auto Repair Inc	05/27/2025	80.29
	052025	April Fuel April Fuel		17.20
	052025	April Fuel		17.20
			Total for Check Number 29408:	114.69
29409	387	Metro-INET	05/27/2025	
	2683	May IT/Phone		624.71
	2683 2683	May IT/Phone May IT/Phone		1,874.12 315.17

Check No	Vendor No Invoice No	Vendor Name Description	Check Date Reference	Check Amount
			Total for Check Number 29409:	2,814.00
29410	11	North Suburban Communications Comm	miss 05/27/2025	
	2025-512	1Q25 Contribution		988.64
			Total for Check Number 29410:	988.64
29411	10	On Site Sanitation Inc	05/27/2025	
	0001880889	04/29/2025 - 06/06/2025 Park Portable Restr		179.46
	0001885601	05/10/2025 - 06/06/2025 Park Portable Restr	OOII	170.00
			Total for Check Number 29411:	349.46
29412	388	PeopleService Inc	05/27/2025	
	PS-INV107386	June Wastewater		660.00
			Total for Check Number 29412:	660.00
29413	5	Premium Waters Inc	05/27/2025	
	619861-04-25	April Water Service		36.14
			Total for Check Number 29413:	36.14
29414	3	US National Equipment Finance Inc	05/27/2025	
	555776087	June Copier Lease		155.00
			Total for Check Number 29414:	155.00
29415	90	Verizon Wireless	05/27/2025	
	6112375216	April Cell Phone		41.05
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			Total for Check Number 29415:	164.18
29416	425 2500677004	Vestis	05/27/2025	23.74
	2500677004	May Uniforms May Uniforms		23.75
	2500682980	May Uniforms		23.75
	2500682980	May Uniforms		23.74
			Total for Check Number 29416:	94.98
29417	358	Visu-Sewer, Inc.	05/27/2025	
	39082	Clean and Televise Sanitary Sewer		25,447.53
			Total for Check Number 29417:	25,447.53
29418	74	Xcel Energy	05/27/2025	
	925664363	2430 Larpenteur Avenue W		10.08
	925735830	Larpenteur Bridge Lights		46.77
	925822686 925822686	1891 Walnut Street 1891 Walnut Street		117.47 175.87
	925832684	April Street Lighting		525.82
	925901490	April Street Eighting Larpenteur Avenue		52.54
	926114604	1917 Walnut Street		22.14
	926114604	1885 Fulham Street		28.48
	926114604	1917 Walnut Street		44.27
	926114604	1885 Fulham Street		40.70
			Total for Check Number 29418:	1,064.14
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Check No	Vendor No	Vendor Name	Check Date	Check Amount
	Invoice No	Description	Reference	
			Total for 5/27/2025:	47,940.35
			Report Total (29 checks):	60,192.99

# LAUDERDALE COUNCIL ACTION FORM

Meeting Da	te	May 27, 2025	Agenda	Item	April Finances
Action Req Consent Action	uested	Public Hearing Resolution		Discussion Work Session	
Every month,	staff p		h an updat	ed copy of th	ne city's finances. Following The balances include year-end
journal entries		nio, and cash barance	1000113 10.		The suitances morage your ollu
STAFF REC	OMM	ENDATION:			
By approving 2025.	the co	nsent agenda, the Cou	ncil ackno	wledges the c	city's financial report for April

# General Ledger Cash Balances



Description	Account	Beg Bal	MTD Debit	MTD Credit	Current Balance
Cash	101-00000-000-10100	-3,095,872.96	147,030.24	156,237.90	-3,105,080.62
Change Fund	101-00000-000-10300	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Cash	226-00000-000-10100	33,570.96	67.40	677.00	32,961.36
Cash	227-00000-000-10100	72,912.47	135.98	6,548.66	66,499.79
Cash	306-00000-000-10100	133,225.97	272.99	0.00	133,498.96
Cash	401-00000-000-10100	88,222.77	166.23	7,100.00	81,289.00
Cash	403-00000-000-10100	587,293.51	1,203.40	0.00	588,496.91
Cash	404-00000-000-10100	213,233.78	436.93	0.00	213,670.71
Cash	406-00000-000-10100	373,608.29	765.54	0.00	374,373.83
Cash	414-00000-000-10100	388,796.07	790.39	3,064.50	386,521.96
Cash	416-00000-000-10100	1,715.28	3.51	0.00	1,718.79
Cash	602-00000-000-10100	993,703.63	15,524.75	67,037.79	942,190.59
Cash	603-00000-000-10100	405,348.77	4,838.83	10,523.89	399,663.71
<b>Current Assets</b>		195,858.54	171,236.19	251,189.74	115,904.99
Petty Cash	101-00000-000-10200	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
Petty Cash		300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
Investments - Fair Adj	Value 101-00000-000-10410	3,581,855.53	7,320.58	125,000.00	3,464,176.11
Investments		3,581,855.53	7,320.58	125,000.00	3,464,176.11
Grand Total		3,778,014.07	178,556.77	376,189.74	3,580,381.10



Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% ExpendCollect
101	General Fund Revenue Taxes Licenses and Permits Intergovernmental Revenues Charges for Services Fines and Forfeits Miscellaneous Revenue Other Financing Sources	1,225,700.00 73,100.00 499,675.00 14,100.00 30,000.00 67,497.00	0.00 2,774.75 0.00 1,774.80 3,517.33 968.84 0.00	-1,164.71 10,935.95 46,979.44 4,341.31 8,995.20 8,495.13	1,226,864.71 62,164.05 452,695.56 9,758.69 21,004.80 59,001.87 31,160.00	-0.10 14.96 9.40 30.79 229.98 12.59
	Revenue	1,941,232.00	9,035.72	78,582.32	1,862,649.68	4.05
	Expense Personal Services Supplies Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay Other Uses	478,382.00 18,344.00 1,444,506.00 0.00	36,262.23 620.43 99,546.54 0.00	172,084.30 4,243.28 366,702.68 0.00	306,297.70 14,100.72 1,077,803.32 0.00	35.97 23.13 25.39 0.00
	Expense	1,941,232.00	136,429.20	543,030.26	1,398,201.74	27.97
101	General Fund	0.00	-127,393.48	-464,447.94	464,447.94	0.00



Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
226	Communications Revenue Taxes Intergovernmental Revenues Miscellaneous Revenue Other Financing Sources	12,000.00 0.00 750.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 67.40 0.00	0.00 0.00 539.09 0.00	12,000.00 0.00 210.91	0.00 0.00 71.88 0.00
	Revenue	12,750.00	67.40	539.09	12,210.91	4.23
	Expense Personal Services Supplies Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay	0.00 0.00 13,300.00	0.00 0.00 677.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 3,001.11 0.00	0.00 0.00 10,298.89	0.00 0.00 22.56 0.00
	Expense	13,300.00	677.00	3,001.11	10,298.89	22.56
226	Communications	-550.00	09.609-	-2,462.02	1,912.02	447.64



Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
227	Recycling Revenue Intergovernmental Revenues Miscellaneous Revenue	6,200.00	0.00	4,826.00 2,829.65	1,374.00	77.84 3.77
	Revenue	81,200.00	135.98	7,655.65	73,544.35	9.43
	Expense Personal Services Supplies Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay	23,404.00 0.00 54,258.00 350.00	1,815.24 0.00 4,733.42 0.00	$8,029.65 \\ 0.00 \\ 14,200.26 \\ 0.00$	15,374.35 0.00 40,057.74 350.00	34.31 0.00 26.17 0.00
	Expense	78,012.00	6,548.66	22,229.91	55,782.09	28.50
227	Recycling	3,188.00	-6,412.68	-14,574.26	17,762.26	-457.16



Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	Variance % Expend/Collect
228	Fund Revenue Intergovernmental Revenues Miscellaneous Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	00:00	0.00
	Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Expense</b> Capital Outlay Other Uses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
228	Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00



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Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
305	GO TIF Revenue Bonds 2018A Revenue Miscellaneous Revenue Other Financing Sources	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	00.00
	Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Expense</b> Other Services and Charges Debt Service	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
305	GO TIF Revenue Bonds 2018A	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00



Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
306	2019A Improvement Bonds Revenue Miscellaneous Revenue Other Financing Sources	4,000.00	272.99	2,057.70 1,506.26	1,942.30	51.44
	Revenue	123,439.00	272.99	3,563.96	119,875.04	2.89
	<b>Expense</b> Other Services and Charges Debt Service	1,000.00	0.00	575.00 107,750.00	425.00 7,750.00	57.50 93.29
	Expense	116,500.00	0.00	108,325.00	8,175.00	92.98
306	2019A Improvement Bonds	6,939.00	272.99	-104,761.04	111,700.04	-1,509.74



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Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
401	General Capital Projects Revenue Intergovernmental Revenues Miscellaneous Revenue Other Financing Sources	0.00 3,200.00 0.00	0.00 166.23 0.00	$0.00 \\ 1,357.16 \\ \hline 0.00$	0.00 1,842.84 0.00	0.00 42.41 0.00
	Revenue	3,200.00	166.23	1,357.16	1,842.84	42.41
	Expense Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay Other Uses	0.00 55,000.00 31,160.00	0.00 7,100.00 0.00	0.00 7,100.00 0.00	0.00 47,900.00 31,160.00	0.00 12.91 0.00
	Expense	86,160.00	7,100.00	7,100.00	79,060.00	8.24
401	General Capital Projects	-82,960.00	-6,933.77	-5,742.84	-77,217.16	6.92



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Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
403	Street Capital Projects Revenue Intergovernmental Revenues Miscellaneous Revenue Other Financing Sources	36,778.00 15,000.00 0.00	0.00 1,203.40 0.00	$0.00 \\ 9,122.71 \\ \hline 0.00$	36,778.00 5,877.29 0.00	0.00 60.82 0.00
	Revenue	51,778.00	1,203.40	9,122.71	42,655.29	17.62
	Expense Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay Debt Service Other Uses	\$,000.00 \$,000.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00	$0.00 \\ 1,355.00 \\ 0.00 \\ 0.00 \\ \hline$	500.00 3,645.00 0.00	0.00 27.10 0.00
	Expense	5,500.00	0.00	1,355.00	4,145.00	24.64
403	Street Capital Projects	46,278.00	1,203.40	7,767.71	38,510.29	16.78



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Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
404	Park Capital Projects Revenue Intergovenmental Revenues Miscellaneous Revenue Other Financing Sources	0.00 7,000.00	0.00 436.93 0.00	$0.00\\3,323.81\\0.00$	0.00 3,676.19 0.00	0.00 47.48 0.00
	Revenue	7,000.00	436.93	3,323.81	3,676.19	47.48
	Expense Supplies Capital Outlay Other Uses	0.00	00.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Expense	10,000.00	00.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00
404	Park Capital Projects	-3,000.00	436.93	3,323.81	-6,323.81	-110.79



Account Number Description	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	Variance % Expend/Collect
406	Park Dedication Revenue	6	7 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	0,000	66 341 3	0 6 7 2
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	Revenue	12,000.00	765.54	5,823.68	6,176.32	48.53
406	Park Dedication	12,000.00	765.54	5,823.68	6,176.32	48.53



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Account Number	Description	Budget	Budget Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
414	Development Revenue Miscellaneous Revenue Other Financing Sources	11,000.00	790.39	6,028.42	4,971.58	54.80
	Revenue	11,000.00	790.39	6,028.42	4,971.58	54.80
	<b>Expense</b> Other Services and Charges Other Uses	0.00	3,064.50	3,064.50	-3,064.50 68,178.00	0.00
	Expense	68,178.00	3,064.50	3,064.50	65,113.50	4.49
414	Development	-57,178.00	-2,274.11	2,963.92	-60,141.92	-5.18



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Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
415	Housing Redevelopment Revenue Miscellaneous Revenue Other Financing Sources	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Revenue	0.00	00.0	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Expense</b> Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
415	Housing Redevelopment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00



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Account Number	Description	Budget	Budget Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
416	TIF District No. 1-2 Revenue Taxes Miscellaneous Revenue Other Financing Sources	12,500.00 5.00 0.00	0.00 3.51 0.00	0.00 27.82 0.00	12,500.00 -22.82 0.00	0.00 556.40 0.00
	Revenue	12,505.00	3.51	27.82	12,477.18	0.22
	Expense Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay Debt Service Other Uses	600.00 0.00 12,000.00	0.00	274.34 0.00 0.00 0.00	325.66 0.00 12,000.00	45.72 0.00 0.00 0.00
	Expense	12,600.00	0.00	274.34	12,325.66	2.18
416	TIF District No. 1-2	-95.00	3.51	-246.52	151.52	259.49



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Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
602	Sanitary Sewer					
	Intergovernmental Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Charges for Services	330,000.00	13,719.04	104,297.84	225,702.16	31.61
	Miscellaneous Revenue	30,000.00	1,926.65	14,977.28	15,022.72	49.92
	Other Financing Sources	0.00	00:00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Revenue	360,000.00	15,645.69	119,275.12	240,724.88	33.13
	Expense Personal Services	86 834 00	6 324 56	28 904 56	57,929,44	33.29
	Supplies	850.00	55.48	197.24	652.76	23.20
	Other Services and Charges	277.040.00	60,778.69	129,461.58	147,578.42	46.73
	Capital Outlay	250,000.00	0.00	0.00	250,000.00	0.00
	Other Uses	0.00	00:00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Expense	614,724.00	67,158.73	158,563.38	456,160.62	25.79
602	Sanitary Sewer	-254,724.00	-51,513.04	-39,288.26	-215,435.74	15.42



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Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
603	Storm Water					
	Revenue	,	6	6	0	
	Intergovernmental Revenues	0.00	00.0	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Charges for Services	150,000.00	4,042.91	33,692.42	116,307.58	22.46
	Miscellaneous Revenue	13,000.00	817.26	6,422.32	89.77.68	49.40
	Other Financing Sources	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Revenue	163,000.00	4,860.17	40,114.74	122,885.26	24.61
	Expense					
	Personal Services	69,880.00	5,082.62	23,154.79	46,725.21	33.14
	Supplies	850.00	55.47	197.23	652.77	23.20
	Other Services and Charges	40,400.00	5,407.14	14,777.46	25,622.54	36.58
	Capital Outlay	50,000.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	0.00
	Other Uses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Expense	161,130.00	10,545.23	38,129.48	123,000.52	23.66
603	Storm Water	1,870.00	-5,685.06	1,985.26	-115.26	106.16



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Account Number	Description	Budget	Current Period	YTD Balance	Variance	% Expend/Collect
666	Fund Revenue Taxes Miscellaneous Revenue Other Financing Sources	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Expense Personal Services Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay Debt Service Other Uses	0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	0.00	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
	Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
666	Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00



	Variance % Expend/Collect	1,689.52 0.0991	2,222,263.02 0.2848	
H	Va	2,503	2,222	281
	YTD Balance	275,414.48	885,072.98	-609,658.50
	Current Period	33,383.95	231,523.32	-198,139.37
	Budget	2,779,104.00	3,107,336.00	-328,232.00
	Description			
	Account Number	Revenue Total	Expense Total	Grand Total

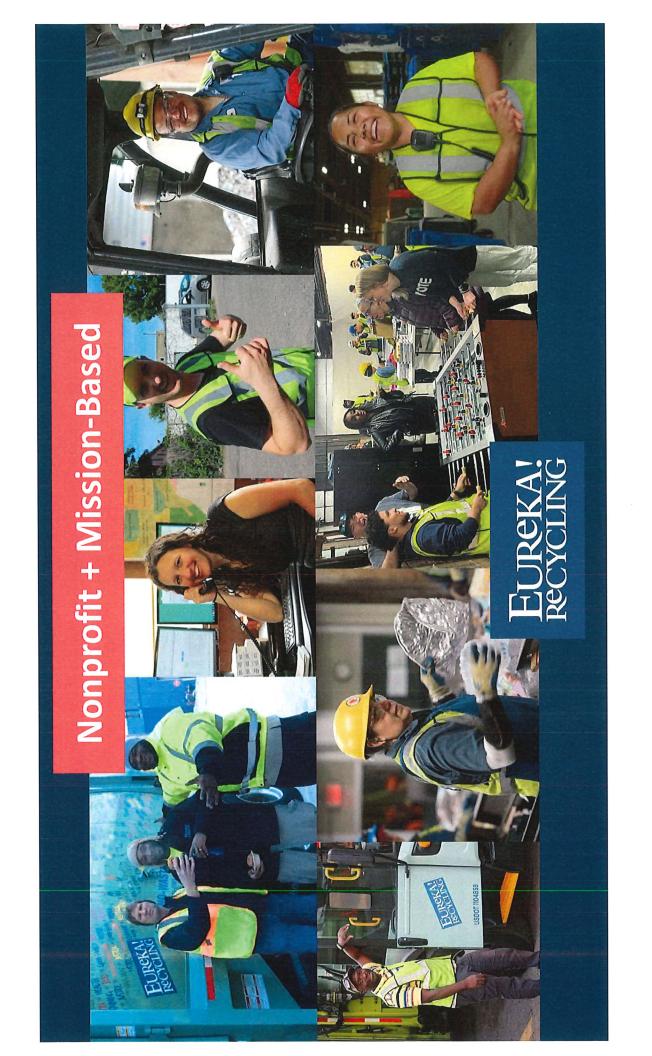
# LAUDERDALE COUNCIL ACTION FORM

Meeting Date	May 27, 2025	Agenda Item	Temp Employee
Action Requests Consent ⊠ Action □	ed Public Hearing Resolution	☐ Discussion ☐ Work Session	n 🗆
DESCRIPTION O	F ISSUE AND PAS	T COUNCIL ACTION	I:
City Council then h through May. This s is willing to continu city records. Staff is \$20.00 per hour from	ired him to work on continuous to be and the working for Lauder asking for the Councilland December has been working	organizing and digitizing an intern for the City of Mardale on projects — primacil to hire William for upmber. This was the rate	e City of Falcon Heights. The given city records from January
STAFF RECOMM	IENDATION:		
	onsent Agenda, the C December at a rate of		rley for up to 16 hours per month

# LAUDERDALE COUNCIL ACTION FORM

Meeting Date		May 27, 2025	Agei	Agenda Item Eureka Recycling Annual Report	
Action Requested					
Consent		Public Hearing		Discussion	
Action		Resolution		Work Session □	
DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE AND PAST COUNCIL ACTION:					
Joanna Stone from Eureka Recycling will be here to give an informational presentation about their annual report.					
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:					





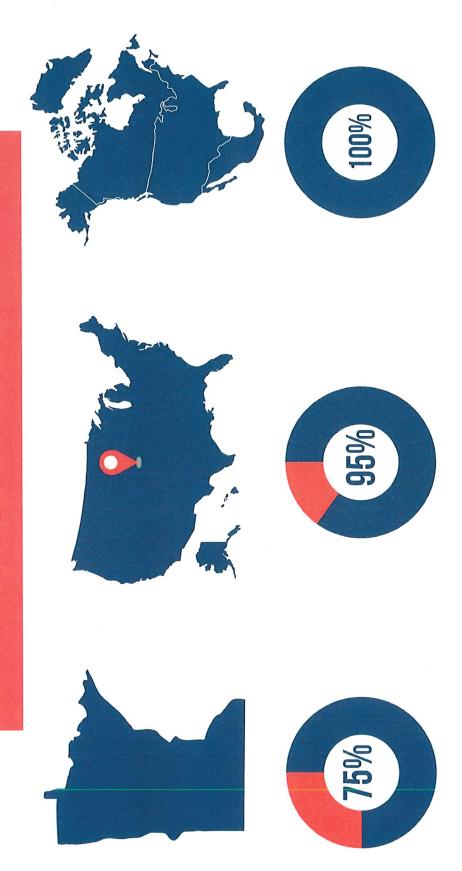
# How You Recycle Matters







# Where Does it Go?



# **Core Coalitions**



An alliance of organizations committed to advancing a future for Minnesota without waste.

Our movement centers the voices and experiences of frontline communities, who are most negatively and directly impacted by the extraction of resources, production of goods, and disposal of



AMBR works with recyclers, manufacturers, product designers, elected officials, and communities to create systemic change.

We work to evolve recycling systems to better protect people and the planet, mitigate climate change, and strengthen communities.



Producers sell packaging & single-use products into the state





The Producer Responsibility Organization (PRO) collects fees based on the material type and amount.



The fees are used to cover a number of activities needed to reach targets including collections, sorting, infrastructure investments, and community education.

# **Covered Materials**



### Packaging

Material to transport, protect or handle a product



### Food Packaging

Materials to protect deliver, serve, or store food and beverages



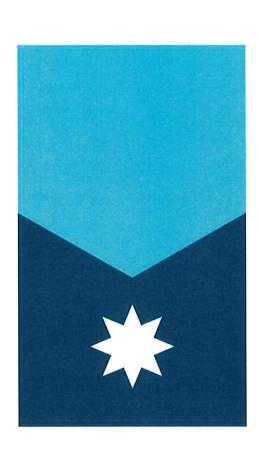
### Paper Products

Paper excluding books and newspaper

# Program Packaging Requirement

### 2032

All packaging must be reusable, recyclable or compostable



# Statewide Performance Requirements



%of covered material to be reduced overall



Recycling Rate



Composting Rate



% of postconsumer recycled content to be used, by material type



Reuse Rate & Return Rate



# Recycling Program Participation

in the state of th	2022	2023	2024
Set Out Rate 7	71%	74%	75%
Participation Rate 9	93%	95%	97%

Phone Calls and Emails	2022	2023	2024
Curbside Calls	103	112	165
Multifamily Calls	0	2	10
Total Calls	103	114	175



## Lauderdale Tonnage

Tonnage by Year	2022	2023	2024
News Mix	92.56	85.12	78.19
Cardboard	17.18	15.80	14.52
Mixed Paper	7.76	7.14	95.9
Aluminum Cans	2.71	2.49	2.29
Steel Cans	2.83	2.60	2.39
HDPE Natural	1.94	1.78	1.64
HDPE Color	0.75	69.0	0.64
PET	5.19	4.77	4.39
Tubs and Lids	0.36	0.33	08.0
Mix Glass	34.51	31.74	29.15
Milk Cartons/Juice Boxes	0.22	0.20	0.19
Residual	5.28	4.85	4.46
Total Tons of Recycling	171.28	157.52	144.72



## What Can I Recycle?





AT THE CURB BY 7AM



Cardboard and Delivery Pizza Boxes must be flattened and small enough to fit in the cart.



Most Plastic Food and Beverage Containers

Newspaper with inserts

empty, rinse, put caps or lids back on when you can

#1, #2 & #5 accepted

Boxboard

Glass Bottles rinse clean, remove caps and lids

and Jars



pop and beer boxes, too! Please remove plastic liners or bags, flatten

Magazines, Mail, Phonebooks, Office Paper



Steel & Aluminum Cans, Aerosol Cans, Foil and Trays



rinse clean, labels are OK



# Common Contaminants



Don't place these items in your recycling cart



- · Aerosol cans that contained hazardous materials
- · Batteries (all types)
- Black plastic
- · Bulky items, containers larger than 3 gallons
- Ceramic or pottery
- · Clothes & linens
- · Cords, wires, hoses & holiday lights
- Disposable cups, plates, utensils
- · Electronics & appliances
- · Freezer boxes
- · Light bulbs
- · Meal delivery kit insulation
- · Packaging from toys or electronics

- · Plant pots
- · Plastic bags & film plastic
- Plastics labeled #3, #6, #7
  - · Pots, pans, dishes
- Propane tanks or other fuel tanks/bottles
- · Scrap metal
- · Sharps containers
- Shipping envelopes w/ any plastic
- · Shredded paper
- · Styrofoam"
- Tissue paper and napkins

## ReCollect App







Lauderdale residents can use the ReCollect App directly on our website or can download the mobile app for free by searching for "Eureka Recycling" in their app store.





### LAUDERDALE COUNCIL ACTION FORM

Meeting Date	May 27, 2025	Agenda Item 1961 Malvern St Lot Cov. Variance		
Action Requeste Consent □ Action ⊠	d Public Hearing Resolution	<ul><li>☑ Discussion</li><li>☑ Work Session</li></ul>		
		COUNCIL ACTION:		
See attached memo.				
STAFF RECOMMENDATION:				
Direct staff to bring back a resolution of approval or denial for the next meeting.				

### **MEMO**

DATE:

MAY 27, 2025

TO:

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

FROM:

JIM BOWNIK

RE:

VARIANCE APPLICATION FOR 1961 MALVERN STREET

Subject Property: 1961 Malvern St, Lauderdale, MN 55113

Applicant/Owner: Sean Gustafson

Proposal: The owner is proposing to replace an existing house with a new, larger home. The proposed project exceeds the maximum lot coverage of 30% by 1.2%. Thus, the owner is requesting a 1.2% lot coverage variance.

### POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR VARIANCE APPROVAL

In reviewing this variance request, the Council should consider the Zoning Ordinance requirements as well as relevant State Statutes. These requirements are outlined on the attached Variance Checklist.

Here is the general order of procedure.

- 1) Staff presentation.
  - Apply the Practical Difficulties Test
- 3) Public Hearing.
- 4) Approve or deny the variance, adding any conditions as necessary.

### PRACTICAL DIFFICULTY TEST

The municipal variance standard requires the City to apply a three-factor test for "practical difficulties" consisting of (1) reasonableness, (2) uniqueness, and (3) essential character.

A variance should be granted if strict enforcement of the municipal variance standard as applied to a particular piece of property would cause the landowner a "practical difficulty." The landowner is generally entitled to the variance if and only if the applicant meets the statutory three-factor test for practical difficulty. If the applicant does not meet all three factors of the statutory test, then a variance should not be granted.

### ESTABLISHING THE FINDINGS OF FACT (Based on Answers to Questions on the Variance Checklist)

The applicant has described the proposed project and why a variance is requested in the attached letter and provided answers to the questions in the Variance Checklist:

- A) How does the proposal put your property to use in a reasonable manner?
- B) What are the unique circumstances to the property not created by the landowner?
- C) How will a variance, if granted, not alter the essential character of the locality?
- D) How is granting of a variance in harmony with the purposes and intent of the Zoning Ordinance?
- E) How are the terms of a variance consistent with the Comprehensive Plan?

### **STAFF REVIEW**

1961 Malvern Street is comprised of two 40' lots that were previously combined into one 80' lot with one Property Identification Number (PIN). The lot size is 10,167 sq ft., and the lot has an existing house that was built in 1945. The foundation size of the house is 808 sq ft. It also has an existing unattached garage that is 400 sq ft. The total square footage of the current house and garage 1,208 sq ft. Lot coverage for existing conditions is 11.9%.

The owner is proposing to demolish the existing house and garage, and replace them with a new house and attached garage. The new house and garage are proposed to total 3,174 sq ft, which would increase lot coverage to 31.2%. With past lot coverage requests, the City Council has generally approved variances for lot coverage up to 35%, if drainage concerns are addressed. However, not usually for new construction.

"What are the unique circumstances to the property not created by the landowner?" In this case, the proposed project would qualify under the future zoning regulations. The fact that the updated zoning requirements haven't yet been adopted is a unique circumstance that isn't the property owner's fault. The new zoning allows up to 50% total lot coverage between rooved structures (capped at 35%) and other impervious up to 50% total. Based on these numbers, the proposal would result in 31.20% for rooved structures and 18.3% for other impervious. That puts the proposed project at an acceptable 49.55% total impervious.

Thus, granting the lot coverage variance request would be consistent with the future zoning regulations. Conditions can be added with approval of the variance.

### **ENCLOSURES**

A) Variance application, site plan, and variance checklist.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Adjacent property owners received notice of tonight's public hearing.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

1) Motion to direct staff to prepare a resolution of approval for the lot coverage variance request at 1961 Malvern Street for the next meeting.



Conditions?

CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAUDERDALE CITY HALL 1891 WALNUT STREET LAUDERDALE, MN 55113 651-792-7650 651-631-2066 FAX

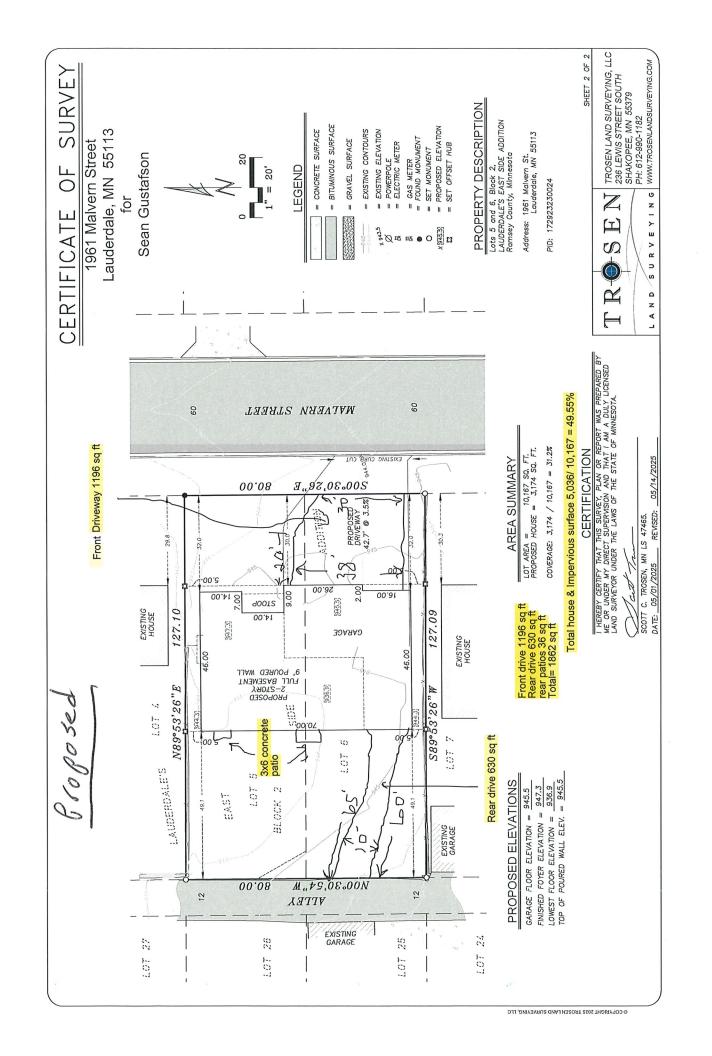
### LAND USE APPLICATION

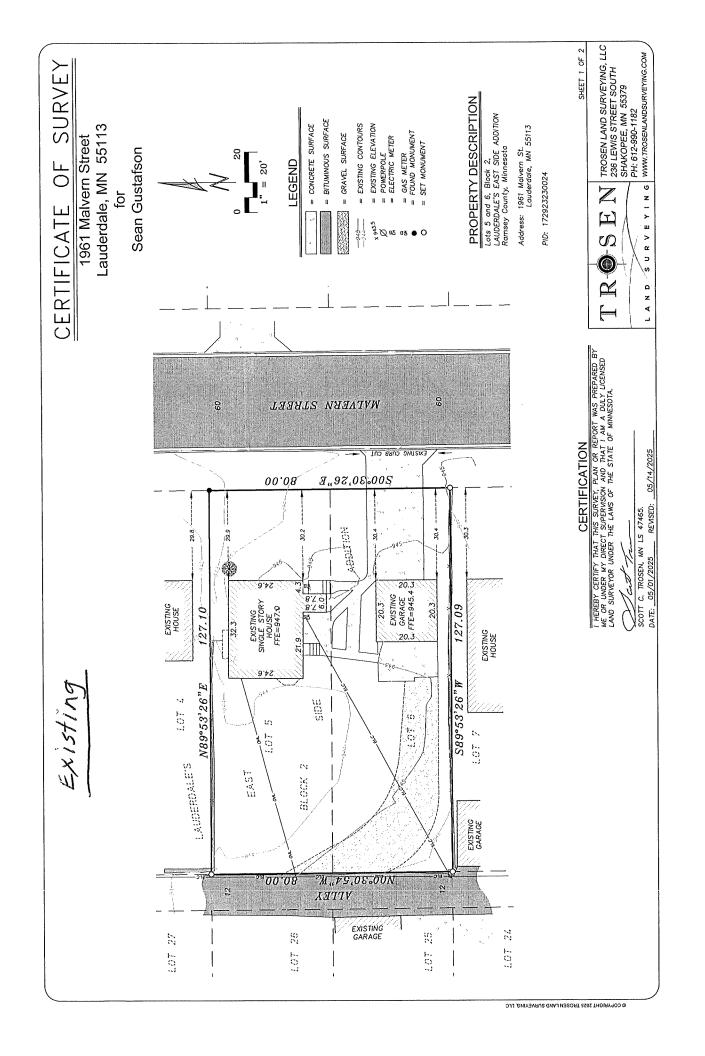
LAN	D USE APPLICATION	Date. 14 MAY 25	
<u>Fee</u> E	Escrow Type of Request	Summary of Request	
\$150 \$ \$150 \$ \$200 \$	Home Occupation  Variance  Lot Consolidation/Division  Sign Permit	See attached	
\$200 \$ \$500 \$ \$500 \$	Conditional Use Lot Line Rearrangement Conditional Use Conditi		
	\$5,000 PUD* ent Recording Fee: Recording cost plus	Administrative fee	
Applica	ant Information	Owner Information (if different)	
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reviewed	Timeline: All applications, other than concept pd. Minnesota Statute provides 15 days to deterneness depends on whether or not the checklist is	nine the application's completeness.	
Checklis	st: Please review the checklist for the type of ap	oplication you are applying for.	
Escrow	fice Use Only  From PIN#:  From Paid:  From Paid:  From Receipt #  Commendation: (approve/deny) Meeting  Hearing Date:  From PIN#:  Amount  Amoun	ount Paid: Receipt #: Date Escrow Returned: g Date: pproved/denied) Meeting Date:	

Gustafson Variance Request for 1961 Malvern St Please consider granting a variance to the Lot Coverage allowance of no more than 30% for this planned home. The planned home comes in at 31.2% coverage of the lot, an excess of only 120 square feet on this large lot of 10,167 square feet.

The planned home will be a beautiful, thoughtfully designed addition to Malvern Street, blending in nicely with the homes across the street and others on the block. It will serve for years to come as the full-time home for a 30-year Army Veteran, his wife and their kids.

A quick review of the site and home plans clearly shows that the current plans do not overburden this property, nor the neighboring homes, and are consistent with the goals of the Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan. The planned home will be safer, more efficient, and will raise the values of all the homes nearby.





### LAUDERDALE COUNCIL ACTION FORM

<b>Meeting Date</b>	May 27, 2025	Agenda Item Variance Resol. 1836 Carl St.				
Action Reque	sted					
Consent $\square$		□ Discussion ⊠				
Action 🖂	-	Work Session □				
DESCRIPTION	OF ISSUE AND PAS	ST COUNCIL ACTION:				
approval with con	At the May 13 City Council Meeting, the Council directed staff to prepare a resolution of approval with conditions for a lot division and 1.2-foot variance to the side yard setback requirement at 1836 Carl Street.					
STAFF RECON	IMENDATION:					
Motion to adopt Resolution 052725A – Approving a Lot Division and 1.2 Foot Variance to the Side Yard Setback Requirement at 1836 Carl Street.						

Member Sayre introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

### **RESOLUTION NO. 052725A**

### CITY OF LAUDERDALE COUNTY OF RAMSEY STATE OF MINNESOTA

### APPROVING A LOT DIVISION AND 1.2 FOOT VARIANCE TO THE SIDE YARD SETBACK REQUIREMENT AT 1836 CARL STREET

**WHEREAS,** Josh Jeans (the "Owner") is the fee owner of the property at 1836 Carl Street (the "Property"), which is legally described as:

PIN: 1729233100064 Lot 24 and 25, Block 3, Rose Hill Addition, Ramsey County, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, the Owner has applied to divide the Property into two lots along the same line which existed when the lots were separate, resulting in a southerly lot with an existing single family dwelling (Parcel A) and a northerly lot which is currently vacant (Parcel B); and

WHEREAS, the Owner has applied for a 1.2 foot variance to the side-yard setback requirement for the existing single family dwelling on Parcel A; and

WHEREAS, city code Section 10-8-8, regarding setbacks in the R-1 zone, requires a five-foot side-yard setback; and

WHEREAS, the existing house met setback requirements when the Property was a single lot, but the subdivision to create two lots will reduce the side yard setback to 3.8 feet; and

WHEREAS, the Owner has requested the variance with the understanding that any structure built on Parcel B will be required to be 6.2 feet from the common lot line to maintain a 10 foot separation between structures; and

WHEREAS, following due notice, a public hearing on the requests was held at the May 13, 2025 city council meeting.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** after consideration of all relevant information and evidence presented on the applications, the Lauderdale City Council makes the following findings:

- 1. The Property was originally platted as two 40-foot lots and later combined for tax purposes. The subdivision will split the Property along the original lot lines.
- 2. The variance is in harmony with the general purposes and intent of the city's zoning ordinance because it is in support of single-family housing in an area zoned for such.
- 3. The variance is consistent with the city's comprehensive plan because it promotes single family housing in an area guided for such.

- 4. The variance will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood because the lots in the vicinity are of similar size and dimensions as Parcel A and Parcel B and all structures constructed on Parcel B will be required to maintain a setback of 6.2 feet from the common lot line, thus ensuring a separation of 10 feet between all buildings.
- 5. The Owner has established that there exist practical difficulties in complying with the zoning ordinance because of the existing house on Parcel A is located 3.8 feet from what will be the new lot line.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the City Council of the City of Lauderdale, does hereby approve a subdivision of the Property as depicted on Exhibit A attached hereto and a 1.2 foot variance to the side yard setback requirement for Parcel A, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Drainage from the house on Parcel A may discharge no closer than five feet from the property line as will be verified by the City's building official before any permits are issued for Parcel B.
- 2. The house on Parcel A must meet state building and fire code requirements, including a one-hour fire wall before any permits are issued for Parcel B.
- 3. All structures built on Parcel B must be located a minimum of 6.2 feet from the common lot line to ensure a separation of at least 10 feet between structures on the two lots.
- 4. The new address for Parcel B will be 1840 Carl Street.

Dated: May 27, 2025.

Mary Gaasch, Mayor

Attest: (SEAL)

Heather Butkowski, City Administrator-Clerk

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Pulford upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

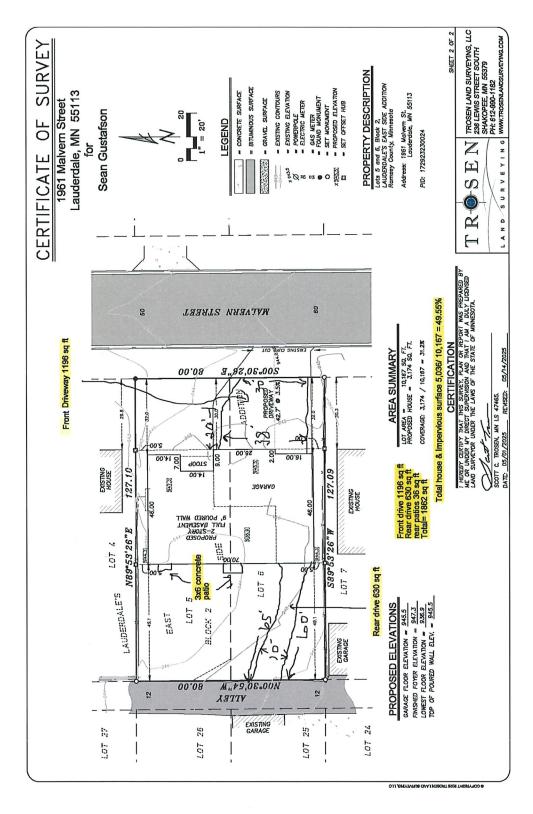
Members Kelly, Pulford, Sayre, and Mayor Gaasch.

And the following voted against same: Dains

Absent: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed.

### EXHIBIT A DEPICTION OF SUBDIVISION OF THE PROPERTY



### Drafted By:

Heather Butkowski
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Lauderdale, MN 55113
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### LAUDERDALE COUNCIL ACTION FORM

Meeting Date	May 27, 2025	Agenda Item	Pollinator Garden		
Action Requeste	ed				
Consent $\Box$	Public Hearing	☐ Discussion	$\boxtimes$		
Action 🖂	Resolution	□ Work Sessio	n 🗆		
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Ann Sisel presented a concept for a pollinator garden at City Hall to the Environment and Sustainability Commission at their meeting this past week. They all agreed that they would like to bring the idea to fruition and work on it together. The garden will be near the front of City Hall in the area marked, if the Council approves. They requested the ability to spend up to \$300. Staff recommend a budget of \$500 just in case.					
STAFF RECOMM	IENDATION:				
Motion to have the Lauderdale City Ha		stainability Commission	construct a pollinator garden at		

### **Environment Sustainability Committee Request**

Minnesota Horticultural Society Quote

"If you don't have the plants, then you don't have the birds or insects for the food web. We just have to start somewhere."

### **Steps for Gardening for Sustainability**

Taken from Summer Northern Gardener 2025

- 1 Stop using chemicals
- 2 Selecting these plants can reduce watering because of their longer roots
- 3 We can watch the birds, insects, and other pollinators in our yards and at the City Hall demonstration Garden.
- 4 Think about creating a spot in your yard that you won't have to mow
- 5 Visit gardens in nearby cities and arboretums for low water, sustainable landscaping ideas.

This **pocket demonstration garden** we are proposing will be about 40 inches by 12 feet long.

I contacted Margot Monson who is an expert entomologist from the U of M. She has also championed pollinator gardens and gardening. She has helped write educational information for the twin cities area. Bees are not to be feared but protected.

Margot Munson visited this site at Lauderdale City Hall with me and approved the garden placement and plant choices. We also look at my garden at home and she found a queen bee in my Virginia Waterleaf plant. This bee was full of pollen and will be taking it back to her nest for the eggs that will hatch soon. We need to do all we can for Hummingbirds, bees, wasps, bats and all the pollinators.

I respectfully request that we plant a small **pollinator pocket garden.** The total cost will be around \$300. This will be educational and good for our planet. I am hoping to contact the City Council this week to get approval. Prime planting time is now.

Thank you.

Ann E Sisel
Sustainability and Environment Committee



Serviceberry - native tree or shrub that blooms early spring and forms fruit for the birds.

### **Taller plants**

Goldenrod Echinacea Purple Coneflower Bee balm (red) Butterfly Weed Blue Star or Blazing Star

### Medium height

Aster Little bluestem Yarrow

### Lower plants

Prairie Dropseed maybe marigolds for the edge Virginia Waterleaf hostas

Later we could buy a rounded bench for large existing tree.