

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

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January 27, 2015

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

Councilors present: Mary Gaasch, Roxanne Grove, Lara Mac Lean, and Mayor Jeff Dains.

Councilors Absent: Denise Hawkinson.

Staff present: Heather Butkowski, City Administrator; Jim Bownik, Assistant City Administrator; and Kevin Kelly, Deputy City Clerk.

Mayor Dains asked for changes to the meeting agenda. There being none, Councilor Gaasch moved to approve the agenda. Councilor Mac Lean seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Mac Lean moved to approve the January 13, 2015 City Council meeting minutes. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Grove moved approval of the claims totaling \$28,732.52. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mayor Dains asked if any Councilors wished to remove items from the Consent Agenda. No Councilor made any change to the Consent Agenda. Councilor Gaasch moved to approve the Consent Agenda, thereby recognizing the December Finances and approving Resolution 012715A – variances for 2345 Summer Street and Resolution 012715B – transferring funds from Fund 601 to Fund 407. Councilor Grove seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Discussion Items/Public Hearings:

Ordinance No. 15-01 Amending section 8-4 Regarding Stormwater Management and Ordinance No. 15-02 Amending Section 8-5 Regarding Stormwater Illicit Discharge and Illicit Connections to the Storm Sewer System

Butkowski explained the two ordinances needed to be updated to comply with the City's new MS4 permit. Butkowski also added that due to the length of the two storm water ordinances the amendments will be published in summary form.

Mayor Dains opened the public hearing on the two storm water ordinances at 7:36 p.m. No one came forward to comment and the public meeting was closed at 7:37 p.m.

The Council had no additional comments on the storm water ordinance amendments.

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Councilor Gaasch moved to adopt Ordinance 15-01 amending Section 8-4 regarding Stormwater Management and Resolution 012715C authorizing publication of Ordinance 15-01 by summary. Councilor Mac Lean seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Gaasch moved to adopt Ordinance 15-02 amending Section 8-5 regarding Stormwater Illicit Discharge and Illicit Connections to the Storm Sewer System and Resolution 012715D authorizing publication of Ordinance 15-02 by summary. Councilor Mac Lean seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The agenda for the next meeting may include a presentation by Diana McKeown from Green Step Cities, Chief Ohl's annual Police Report on February 24, Ramsey County Commissioner Mary Jo McGuire's annual report on March 10, and Senator John Marty and Representative Alice Hausman's annual report on April 14.

Work Session:

Mayor Dains explained that the Council was moving into the Work Session. Work Sessions are a continuation of the meeting but not aired on community television.

Mayor Dains asked if anyone wished to address the Council. No one came forward.

Discussion with Ahvo Taipale, Owner of Finn Sisu

Ahvo Taipale met with the Council to share his interest in expanding his current building over the 2430 Larpenteur site as he is adding a mail order Nordic skiing and skiing accessories business. Taipale was asked by the Council whether his research in a franchise for the site created any leads for some sort of retail or food. He said it did not. The Council directed staff to continue discussions with Taipale.

Community Development Update

The City's financial consultant, Stacy Kvilvang, discussed interest by developers in the Chinese Christian Church site. One developer is interested in razing the building and creating a three or four story senior apartment complex. The Council was not interested in this type of development. The other two developers would also raze the building to create single-family housing on the property. The Council was more receptive to the idea of a single-family housing development. Kvilvang will introduce the single-family developers to the Twin Cities Chinese Christian Church.

Closed Session

The Council met with City Administrator Butkowski to discuss her performance review. The Council returned from the closed session at 9:17 p.m.

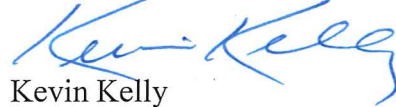
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There being no further business on the council agenda, Councilor Gaasch moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Grove seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kevin Kelly
Deputy City Clerk