

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

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November 26, 2013

Mayor Dains called the City Council meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.

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

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

Mayor Dains asked for changes to the meeting agenda. No additional items were added. Councilor Grove moved to approve the agenda. Councilor Mac Lean seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Hawkinson moved to approve the November 12, 2013 City Council meeting minutes. Councilor Mac Lean seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Grove moved approval of the claims totaling \$33,196.90. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Mac Lean moved adoption of the Consent Agenda approving the establishment of the 2014 recycling, sanitary sewer and storm sewer fees via Resolution 112613A, approval of the conditional use permit for 2520 Broadway via Resolution 112613B, the 2014-15 Union Contract, the St. Paul Regional Water Board Agreement, the application for the 2014 SCORE Grant for Recycling via Resolution 112613C, and the PCIC Minutes. Councilor Hawkinson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Public Hearing and Discussion Items:

2014 Budget and Levy

Butkowski presented information to the Council regarding the proposed budget and levy. The 2014 budget would increase by 3.6% to \$1,230,506 with a 1% levy increase. Public Safety is the largest expenditure comprising 54% of the budget. The second largest expense area is Administration which makes up 13% of the budget. The last of the bonds from the road improvements projects will be paid in February 2015 which will make the City debt free.

Butkowski also noted the requirement to discuss how anticipated sales tax savings will be spent in 2014. Based on staff calculations, the anticipated savings is around \$1,200. At less than .1% of the 2014 budget, it is difficult to identify how the money will be spent.

Mayor Dains opened the public hearing at 7:45 on the proposed 2014 Budget and Levy. No one came forward and the public hearing closed at 7:46.

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Ordinance 13-06, Amending Zoning Ordinance 10-06 Pertaining to District Uses

The ordinance amendment pertains to Beaupre Aerial Equipment which was discussed at the November 12 Council Meeting. Beaupre is purchasing the property at 2520 Broadway Drive which housed Hamline Auto Body. Beaupre is a construction equipment rental business, a use which is not specifically listed as a permitted or conditional use in the I-1, Industrial district.

Mayor Dains called the Public Hearing to order at 7:47 p.m. regarding the zoning amendment to allow for construction equipment rental as a conditional use in the I-1, Industrial District. No one addressed the Council and the public hearing was closed at 7:48 p.m.

Councilor Mac Lean moved to approve the ordinance 13-06 as presented. Councilor Hawkinson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Agenda items for the November 26 Council Meeting may include a discussion of the Larpenteur Avenue pedestrian project, zoning ordinance revisions, the Eureka! Recycling contract, the Tobacco Ordinance, Joint Powers Agreement with Ramsey County for CAD services, and non-domestic animal permits applications.

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.

Work Session:

Eureka Recycling Contract Extension

Chris Goodwin of Eureka! Recycling addressed the Council. Eureka will become a single sort operator in 2014. This means that consumers will no longer have to separate paper products from the other recyclables. Eureka will also be adding more plastic items which can be recycled. Goodwin stated Eureka is also looking to add compostable material recycling in future years.

Goodwin was open to an extension of the current recycling contract for 2014. Issues for the City to consider are whether to use large carts for the switch to single sort recycling and whether to purchase the carts. Eureka can offer workshops to residents on single sort and compost recycling to add in the transition.

Butkowski will bring the Contract Extension to the December 10 City Council Meeting.

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Sign Ordinance & Dynamic Signs

Butkowski noted that the sign ordinance is dated and asked for Council feedback in future changes. One item of discussion was dynamic signs as Croix Oil would like to add one for their business. Butkowski referenced a City of Minnetonka study that can help identify ways to mitigate issues associated with signs if the Council wished to move in that direction. Butkowski stated it is less complicated if the City bans the use of dynamic signage altogether rather than attempting to set parameters for electronic signage which can be quite complicated.

Councilor Gaasch stated she would like to see the Larpenteur corridor to look aesthetically pleasing as it the City's only retail corridor. Other Councilors concurred that they would prefer to not allow dynamic signs. Butkowski will bring draft changes to a future meeting.

Community Development Update

Butkowski stated that Stacie Kvilvang of Ehlers, the City contracted financial consultant would work with Corval on their ideas for redeveloping their property at 1633 Eustis Street and what financing options are available to them.

Butkowski also stated that Luther Seminary is looking to sell their student housing facilities in Lauderdale to another entity. Staff will update the Council when more information becomes available.

Council Dias Chair Demonstration and Selection

The current Council chairs are quite old and are not working properly. Staples Business Interiors dropped off three demo chairs and color samples. The Council tried out the chairs and determined which they preferred.

There being no further business on the council agenda, Councilor Hawkinson moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kevin Kelly
Deputy City Clerk