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**CITY COUNCIL
GOAL SETTING SESSION
5:00 P.M.
LAUDERDALE CITY HALL**

AGENDA

1. 5:00 p.m. Gather and tour city
2. 5:45 p.m. Return to City Hall
3. 6:00 p.m. Begin Goal Setting
 - A. Review / Revise 2008 Goals
 - B. Discuss 2009 Goals
 - i. CIP – Proposal Attached
 - ii. Regular Office Hours for Police Officers
 - iii. Personnel Committee / Review Process
 - iv. New City Hall
4. 7:25 p.m. Adjourn to Regular Council Meeting

2008 GOALS

Infrastructure – Streets

1. Continue to work with the County to affect the turn back of Roselawn Avenue, Fulham Street and Eustis Street.
 - a. The City will conduct a feasibility study of Eustis Street to determine the cost of rehabilitation.
 - b. The City will work with Ramsey County to develop a plan for cost sharing the rehabilitation of Eustis in conjunction with development projects along Larpenteur Avenue and the replacement of the TH280 Bridge.
2. Preserve the integrity of the local streets through proper care and maintenance.
 - a. The City will work with our State Representative and Senator on passage of legislation to allocate the small metropolitan cities road funds.
 - b. The City will seal-coat all local streets west of Eustis Street.
 - c. The City will sweep the local streets at least twice each year.

Infrastructure – Sanitary and Storm Sewer

1. Achieve compliance with the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services maximum flow rates during storm events.
 - a. The City will complete the evaluation of the sanitary sewer system and correct any instances of inflow and/or infiltration.
 - b. The City will perform regular sanitary sewer cleaning.
 - c. The City will work with a private provider to conduct house-to-house inspections of sump pumps, drain tiles, etc, and require correction of improperly connected drains.
2. Maintain and improve the quality of Lauderdale's storm water.
 - a. Lauderdale will continue to take an active roll in educating the public on the impact to the storm sewer system and local waters from fertilizer, leaves, trash, and chemicals.
 - b. Lauderdale will sweep streets at least twice each year.
 - c. Lauderdale will develop relationships with the three Watershed Districts that serve the City and will encourage natural and environmentally sound developments.

Parks, Open Space and Recreation

1. Lauderdale will provide a variety of recreational opportunities for residents of all ages.
 - a. Lauderdale will complete the surfacing of the existing hockey rink located in the Lauderdale Community Park. Surfacing the rink will provide in-line skating for summer hockey and an area for skateboards and bikes.
 - b. Lauderdale will remove hazardous playground equipment from the Community Park playground.
 - c. The Park and Community Involvement Committee (PCIC) will work to develop a playground area with facilities for handicapped individuals and children from toddlers to early teens for inclusion in the 2009 budget.
 - d. The PCIC will evaluate the potential use and improvement of other open space in the community and propose improvements to the Council.
 - e. Lauderdale will market the partnership with Falcon Heights and Roseville recreation programs.

2. Lauderdale will work to establish itself as a safe and walkable community with linkages among the City's established parks and open spaces.
 - a. The PCIC will evaluate ways to connect the different parks and open areas in the City as well as different parts of the City.
 - b. Future road improvements will provide adequate space for pedestrians and bicycles traffic.
 - c. The PCIC will coordinate linkages with other border communities.

Community Development and Housing

1. Lauderdale envisions a "downtown" feel along the Larpenteur Avenue corridor that promotes Lauderdale and links the residential area north of Larpenteur Avenue to areas south of Larpenteur.
 - a. The City Council will work with business and property owners to identify needs and possibilities.
 - b. The City Council will establish design standards or guiding principals for the corridor and establish priorities for redevelopment.
 - c. The City Council will work with the area businesses, homeowners, and selected consultant, planner, and/or developer to create a viable redevelopment plan.

2. Lauderdale will strive to maintain a housing stock that is sound, safe and affordable and to maximize the number of owner occupied single-family homes.
 - a. Lauderdale will continue to ensure all rental-housing units are properly licensed and meet the requirements of the International Property Maintenance Code, International Building Code and International Fire Code.

- b. Lauderdale will continue to hold landlords and tenants accountable for actions and behavior that contribute to public nuisance and disturbance.
- c. Lauderdale will administer the City nuisance ordinance and exercise other administrative regulatory authority as necessary to ensure neighborhoods are free of dangerous and hazardous conditions.
- d. Lauderdale will continue to promote and sponsor community events such as National Night Out, Day in the Park, etc to bring neighbors together and create a greater sense of community.

Fiscal Stability

1. Lauderdale strives to provide quality public services in the best, most efficient and cost effective manner and to hold down the overall cost of government for its residents.
 - a. The City Council will maintain adequate fund balances in all funds and in accordance with City fiscal policy and recommendations of the State Auditor.
 - b. The City Council will establish maintenance and replacement plans as part of the budget process for major facilities, equipment and infrastructure.
 - c. The City Council will evaluate and assess processes and create efficiencies where possible.
 - d. Lauderdale will continue to seek partnerships in the provision of key services.

PLANNED CAPITAL PROJECTS AND OTHER PROGRAMS

Several projects and programs are planned for 2008. Following is a detailed description of these projects and programs.

COMMUNITY PARK IMPROVEMENTS

The City Council wants to create a welcoming, safe, and attractive park system that provides a variety of recreational activities for citizens of all ages. The Council began this process in 2006 with the reconstruction of the tennis and basketball courts. The plan for 2008 is to provide a solid surface in the hockey rink. The solid surface, either pavement or concrete, will allow for summer use for roller hockey, skate boarding, roller skating, etc. There are no plans to enlarge the rink or add lights. Other considerations for 2008 are a fence along the southern border of the Community Park. The other area planned for improvement is the playground area. The playground has some equipment that is out dated and potentially hazardous. We are removing the potentially hazardous equipment as soon as possible. The PCIC will assess possible options for the playground improvements and report their recommendations to the City Council for inclusion in the 2009 Budget.

The estimated and budgeted cost for these improvements for 2008 is between \$62,000 and \$113,000.

DEVELOPMENT

The Larpenteur Avenue corridor is the main entry point into Lauderdale and is a "Gateway" to Ramsey County. The City Council studied the feasibility of redeveloping the apartments on the southeast corner of Larpenteur and Eustis and due to the cost associated with the project decided not to move forward. The Council began to study the southwest segment of Larpenteur from Eustis to Highway 280 following the closing of Rose Hill Station. Discussions were held with some business owners and progress on the project slowed following the announcement NewMech planned to relocate its facilities. Things have changed and the Council is once again evaluating the feasibility of moving forward on a comprehensive redevelopment plan for Larpenteur Avenue from Highway 280 to Eustis Street.

The project comes to the forefront for a couple reasons; the reconstruction of the Larpenteur / Hennepin Avenue Bridge scheduled to start in 2009 and completion of Lauderdale's Comprehensive Plan.

The Council is allocating \$10,000 to complete a feasibility study and develop a comprehensive redevelopment plan for the area.

HOUSING RELATED PROGRAMS

The City Council created a Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District in 1985 to assist in the development of the Rose Hill Town Homes. The TIF District collected funds that were used to pay off bonds sold for the project. The bonds were fully paid in 2005, but Lauderdale is capturing the "increment" for five more years. Increment is the difference between the original taxable value and the new taxable value. The increment captured by Lauderdale amounts to just over \$145,000 annually. The City Council can use the funds to cover costs associated with developing low and moderate-income housing and for public infrastructure improvements such as sanitary sewer, storm sewer and streets. Some funds were used in 2007 to support road improvement bond payments.

The Council is considering a program to rehabilitate vacant or foreclosed homes in Lauderdale and market them to low and moderate income families. The City would work with established organizations specializing in this area such as Habitat for Humanity, the Rondo Land Trust, etc.

The Council allocated \$300,000 toward this program.

GENERAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND MAINTENANCE

The City Council took a bold step in 2000 and began a three year project to reconstruct all the City streets, replace sanitary sewer lines, replace water lines, and improve the storm water system by adding curb and gutter. General maintenance such as street sweeping, sewer jetting, catch basin cleaning, plowing, etc. is necessary to ensure the longevity of the system and are done as a regular part of the annual maintenance program. To ensure the road surface stays in good condition, it is necessary to perform more extensive maintenance every five to seven years. Lauderdale accomplishes this by seal coating the streets. Seal coating is a process of applying a rubberized coating in the cracks (crack sealing) and then covering the surface of the road with oil and a layer of chipped granite or rock. The chips are pressed into the oil as cars and trucks drive over them resulting in a "new" road surface.

The City completed the streets east of Eustis in 2006 and the Council has budgeted \$60,000 to seal coat the streets west of Eustis in 2008.

Roselawn Avenue, Fulham Street and Eustis Street are county roads. The Council has discussed with the County options to "turn" these roads over so Lauderdale becomes responsible for their ongoing maintenance and repair. The Council identified Eustis Street as the one in most need of repair and upgrading, especially the segment south of Larpenteur. The Council allocated \$30,000 to complete a feasibility study for the reconstruction of Eustis Street and to work with the County on completing the study and potentially schedule the street for rehabilitation.

ACTION REQUESTED	LAUDERDALE COUNCIL
Consent _____	MEETING DATE <u>March 25, 2008</u>
Special _____	ITEM NUMBER <u>Capital Improvements Plan (CIP)</u>
Public Hearing _____	STAFF INITIAL <u>Jim</u>
Report _____	APPROVED BY ADMINISTRATOR _____
Discussion/Action _____	
Resolution _____	
Goal Setting <u>X</u>	

DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE AND PAST COUNCIL ACTION:

Attached is a draft Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for 2008-2017 resulting from discussions with staff and the PCIC.

The PCIC discussed this at their last meeting and is planning on discussing it again on April 7. Their first discussion focused on 2009-2013 so they may have further recommendations for the community park for 2014-2017.

Staff also suggested including possible upgrades to the council chambers for presentations such as a projector & screen, video display units for the council dais, etc. Another suggestion was possible audio equipment for the social room.

One of staff's recommendations is to plan for replacement of public works equipment every ten years. The draft CIP reflects this recommendation.

The estimated year of improvements for Eustis, Roselawn, and Fulham are dependant on negotiations with the county on turn-backs.

OPTIONS:

- 1) Discuss.
- 2) Do not discuss.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) Discuss and provide suggestions for further refinement of the draft CIP.

COUNCIL ACTION:

LAUDERDALE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2008 TO 2017

YEAR	PARK AREA	DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT / IMPROVEMENT	COST	TOTAL
2008	Community Park	Hockey rink improvements & pave gravel trail	\$ 74,000	
2008	Community Park	Install Fencing on south property line	\$ 50,000	
2008	Community Park	Add pea gravel to playground	\$ 1,000	
2008	Walsh Lake	Install signage on west and south property lines indicating park boundary	\$ 250	
2008	Walsh Lake	Allow growth of vegetative buffer of 16.5' from shoreline [ord. 8-4-8(h)5]	\$ -	
2008	Walsh Lake	Work w/ 4-H or scout troops to build/install bird houses	\$ -	
2008	Nature Area	Work w/ 4-H or scout troops to build/install bird houses	\$ -	
	2008 ESTIMATED TOTAL			\$ 125,250
2009	Community Park	Replace/add playground equipment	\$ 40,000	
2009	Community Park	Add pea gravel to playground	\$ 1,000	
2009	Walnut/lone	Install "Lauderdale Picnic Area" signage at lone and create woodchip path	\$ 1,000	
2009	City Hall	Install 3 tub sink in kitchen	\$ 1,000	
2009	City Hall	Replace copier and fax	\$ 10,000	
2009	Dump Truck	Replace dump truck & plow	\$ 35,000	
2009	Tractor	Replace diesel John Deere tractor & mower	\$ 20,000	
	2009 ESTIMATED TOTAL			\$ 108,000
2010	Walsh Lake	Walking Path Ryan to Pleasant w/floating dock	\$ 20,000	
2010	Walsh Lake	Purchase aesthetically pleasing bench for along path	\$ 1,000	
2010	Nature Area	Reconstruct stairs & footbridge, grade trolley path, riprap for erosion	\$ 25,000	
2010	Community Park	Add 2 more recycling containers	\$ 1,000	
2010	Eustis St (north)	Reconstruct street & utilities	\$ 500,000	
	2010 ESTIMATED TOTAL			\$ 547,000
2011	Eustis St (south)	Reconstruct street & utilities	\$ 350,000	
	2011 ESTIMATED TOTAL			\$ 350,000
2012	Alleys	Convert non-vacated dead end alleys to through alleys	\$ 132,000	
2012	City Hall	Replace ballot tabulator	\$ 10,000	
	2012 ESTIMATED TOTAL			\$ 142,000
2013	Seal Coating	All city streets	\$ 110,000	
2013	Roselawn Ave	Mill & Overlay	\$ 200,000	
2013	Fulham St (north)	Reconstruct w/ curb & gutter	\$ 200,000	
2013	Community Park	Tennis courts - crack-seal & color-coat surface	\$ 7,500	
	2013 ESTIMATED TOTAL			\$ 517,500
2014	Community Park	Construct park shelter #2	\$ 22,000	
	2014 ESTIMATED TOTAL			\$ 22,000

2015 Pick-up Truck	Replace pick-up truck & plow	\$ 29,000	\$ 29,000
2015 ESTIMATED TOTAL			
2016 PW Garage	Replace roof of garage	\$ 10,000	
2016 Community Park	Replace roof of warming house	\$ 10,000	
2016 Mower	Replace John Deere mower	\$ 30,000	\$ 50,000
2016 ESTIMATED TOTAL			
2017 Community Park	Community building w/meeting room, kitchen, restrooms, park shelter	\$ 875,000	\$ 875,000
2017 ESTIMATED TOTAL			
10 YEAR PLAN ESTIMATED TOTAL			\$ 2,765,750