

**Lauderdale City Council  
Meeting Minutes  
April 12, 2005**

1. Meeting called to order at 7:05 P.M.

2. ROLL

Council present: Giannetti, Christensen, McCloskey, Gill-Gerbig and Mayor Dains

Staff present: Acting Administrator Bownik

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

*A. Approval of Agenda.* Motion by Christensen, second by McCloskey to approve the agenda. Roll: Yes: all. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL

*A. Approval of Minutes.* Motion by Giannetti, second by McCloskey to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2005 City Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

*B. Approval of Claims totaling \$63,328.93.* Motion by Christensen, second by McCloskey to approve the claims totaling \$63,328.93. Motion carried unanimously.

5. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

6. CONSENT

*A. Approval of minutes of 3/21/05 Special City Council Meeting.*

*B. Approval of minutes of 3/22/05 Special City Council Meeting.*

*C. Approval of minutes of 3/23/05 Special City Council Meeting.*

*D. Approval of minutes of 3/30/05 Special City Council Meeting.*

Motion by Christensen, second by McCloskey to approve the consent agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

7. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS/RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

8. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. REPORTS

A. *CERT (Certified Emergency Response Team) Training.* Acting Administrator Bownik reported that the City of Falcon Heights is inviting Lauderdale residents to sign up for their CERT training. Falcon Heights has trained fifty people to respond in the case of natural or human-caused disasters. Training consists of several classes beginning May 5 and is open to anyone over the age of twelve. There is a \$15 registration fee. To register, residents should call the City of Falcon Heights at 651-792-7600.

11. ACTION

A. *Consideration of Contract Approval for City Administrator.* The City Council discussed aspects of the proposed contract language for the city administrator position. Aspects of the proposed contract were modified as a result of the discussion. Motion by Christensen, second by Gill-Gerbig to approve the contract for the city administrator position as modified. Motion carried unanimously.

B. *Set a Date for 2005 Lauderdale Spring Clean-Up.* Motion by Giannetti, second by McCloskey to set April 25-29 as Spring Clean-up Week and May 2-6 as Inspection Week. Roll: Yes: all. Motion carried.

12. DISCUSSION

13. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

14. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

15. SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

1. Parking Enforcement.
2. Approval of the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2004 Financial and Investment Report.
3. Ramsey County Commissioner Jan Weissner.
4. 2004 Financial Statements and Audit: Abdo, Eick and Meyer.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION RELATING TO ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION AGAINST THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE

The City Council went into executive session at 7:40 p.m. for the purpose of attorney-client privilege to discuss pending litigation against the City of Lauderdale regarding the Community Park property.

The Council came back into open session at 8:23 p.m.

17. WORK SESSION DISCUSSION

A. *Nature Area.* The City Council discussed issues regarding a resident that has been involved with the nature area and other public property. The City Council authorized up to \$1000 for the cleanup of brush piles in the nature area and directed staff to send a letter to the resident as well as review the related Ordinances for possible revisions.

B. *Parking Enforcement.* The City Council discussed the handicapped parking issue at 1840 Eustis Street and directed staff to ask the police department to monitor the situation.

C. *Park Issues.* The City Council discussed the archery and tennis facilities at the park. The City Council directed staff to add signage and improve the backstop at for the archery as well as research costs for tennis courts.

D. *Expressions of Sympathy.* The City Council reviewed a draft policy pertaining to sending cards, flowers, or plants to residents or others involved with the City. The City Council directed staff to modify the policy based on the discussion and represent the policy at a future meeting.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Gill-Gerbig, second by Christensen, to adjourn at 9:47 P.M. Ayes: All.