

**Lauderdale City Council  
Meeting Minutes  
February 12, 2002**

1. Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M.

2. ROLL

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

Staff present: Getschow

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

*A. Approval of Agenda.* Motion by Gower, second by Gill-Gerbig to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

4. APPROVAL

*A. Approval of Minutes.* Motion by Gower, second by Christensen to approve of the minutes of the Joint Work Session with the City of Roseville of 1/14/02 and the minutes of the regular City Council Meeting of 1/22/02. Motion carried unanimously.

*B. Approval of Claims totaling \$56,773.68.* Motion by Gill-Gerbig, second by McCloskey to approve the claims totaling \$56,773.68. Motion carried unanimously.

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

6. CONSENT

7. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS/RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS
8. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

*A. State Senator John Marty and State Representative Mary Jo McGuire.*  
Senator Marty and Representative McGuire discussed legislative issues that are of concern to the City with the City Council. The single biggest issue at this time is the budget deficit and the effect on the City of Lauderdale of the Governor's proposal to remedy the budget shortfall.

The legislators also briefly discussed other bills that they have authored or co-authored this current session

A break was taken at 8:35 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 8:45 p.m.

*B. Plans and Specifications for the 2002 Street and Utility Improvements.*  
Tom Kellogg, consultant engineer, provided a review of the plans and specifications for the 2002 Street and Utility Improvements. The Council discussed the improvements planned for north of Roselawn Avenue, along with the construction of a major trunk sanitary sewer line west of Highway 280.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS
10. ACTION

*A. Resolution 021202A: A Resolution Approving Plans and Specifications and Ordering an Advertisement of Bids for 2002 Street and Utility Improvements.*  
Motion by Gill-Gerbig, second by McCloskey to approve Resolution 021202A: A Resolution Approving Plans and Specifications and Ordering an Advertisement of Bids for the 2002 Street and Utility Improvements.  
Roll: Yes: all. Motion carried.

B. *Approval of a Step Adjustment for Administrative Analyst James Bownik.* Motion by Gower, second by Christensen to approve the step adjustment for the Administrative Analyst position, to Step 5, \$3610.52 per month, effective February 10, 2002. Roll: Yes: all. Motion carried.

## 11. REPORTS

A. *2002 Budget.* The City Administrator presented the approved and adopted 2002 Budget document to the City Council.

B. *Refuse Collection Task Force Update.* Council member McCloskey updated the City Council on the recent developments of the Task Force. Results from a survey sent to city residents in the first quarter city newsletter have been returned and tabulated. The return rate for the surveys was greater than 30%. Of the residents who were asked if they preferred an organized collection approach or the current state of collection, 68% stated that they would approve of the city pursuing organized collection. Listed below (ranked in order) are the very important and important aspects of refuse collection in the minds of the residents that completed and returned surveys:

1. Customer service;
2. Cost;
3. Reducing heavy traffic on city streets;
4. Using a locally owned-hauler;
5. Pick-up of yard waste and brush; and
6. Choosing one's own hauler

McCloskey stated that the Task Force would further review the survey and consider holding a town meeting in the near future. Finally, he stated that the task force will be attending an upcoming Ramsey County League of Local Governments meeting focused on the issue of county-wide organized or "public" collection.

12. DISCUSSION
13. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA
14. ADDITIONAL ITEMS
15. SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING
  1. Discussion of the 2003-2004 Police Contract
  2. CDBG Grant Application for the 2002 Improvements
16. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Gill-Gerbig, second by McCloskey to adjourn at 9:42 P.M. Ayes: All.