

**Lauderdale City Council  
Meeting Minutes  
July 23, 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 McCloskey to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

4. APPROVAL

*A. Approval of Minutes.* Motion by Christensen, second by Gill-Gerbig to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of July 9, 2002. Motion carried unanimously.

*B. Approval of Claims totaling \$123,552.98.* Motion by Gill-Gerbig, second by Gower to approve the claims totaling \$123,552.98. 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. 2002 Street and Utility Improvements Update.* The City Engineer updated the City Council on the improvement project. Most of the boring work is under Highway 280 between Broadway and Ryan Avenue is completed. The street reclamation has been completed, and the residential reconstruction work north of Roselawn Avenue should begin the week of August 5.

The City Engineer also presented the City Council with a possible change order request to replace all of the sewer main on Carl Avenue as opposed to replacing 1/3 of the line and conducting repairs on the remaining 2/3 of the line. The recent discovery of the need for another repair and the relatively flat slope of the current line brought about the idea of replacing the entire line. All other sewer lines in the 2002 project area are scheduled to be replaced. The Council consensus was to pursue this replacement option. The City Engineer will prepare a change order to be approved by the Council at the next meeting.

*B. Ramsey County Commissioner Jan Weissner.* The Commissioner gave a presentation to the City Council on several developments at the Ramsey County level. Issues covered included homeland security; county road turnbacks; county-wide organized waste collection; public health initiatives; community human services programs; regional transit corridor studies; the Ramsey County Library system; the community corrections system and the construction of the new jail; the economic development department's administration of the CDBG program; and the exploration of a suburban Ramsey County HRA levy.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. ACTION

*A. Resolution 072302A: A Resolution Proclaiming National Night Out 2002.* Motion by Gill-Gerbig, second by Christensen to approve Resolution 072302A: A Resolution Proclaiming National Night Out 2002. Roll: Yes. All. Motion carried.

11. DISCUSSION

A. *Highway 280 Reconstruction Project (MNDOT)*. Nancy Daubenberger, Highway 280 Project Manager and Frank Pafko, MNDOT Area Manager updated the City Council on the current status of the Highway 280 reconstruction project.

Daubenberger discussed the most recent layout of the highway that was planned for reconstruction. The potential lowering of the grade at Broadway was particularly discussed.

Pafko discussed the letter that he provided to the City Council pursuant to their request that addressed:

- The statutory powers and details of municipal consent. Pafko discussed the municipal consent process and the history and possibility of MNDOT attempting to overturn a lack of municipal consent from a city.
- The status of the federal funds that were obtained in 2000 to reconstruct the portion of #280 between Larpenteur Avenue and Highway 36/35W. Pafko stated that the funds were still secured and that MNDOT considers this project a high priority. The construction is scheduled to be undertaken in 2006.
- The power of MNDOT to close access roads. Pafko stated that the MNDOT Commissioner can close access roads and undertake such actions as median closure without municipal consent. This usually occurs under the condition of a documented safety problem.

The MNDOT representatives stated that they would like to return to the City Council at a later date with a design for the Council to consider providing granting municipal consent. At that time, MNDOT would request formal action on the construction of a sound wall.

12. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

13. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

*A. Refuse Collection Task Force.* The Mayor stated that the task force had met earlier this evening to discuss a community meeting on organized collection. The Task Force has tentatively scheduled the meeting for October 15, 2002. The Council may then take action on this initiative at their October 22 meeting.

14. SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

1. 2002 Street and Utility Improvement Update and Pay Request
2. Resolution to Order the 2001 Assessment Roll from the 2001 Improvements
3. Insurance Policy Renewal
4. NPDES Storm Water Permit
5. Move the start time of the September 10 meeting
6. Appointment of Election Judges for the Primary
7. 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2002 Financial and Investment Report
8. 2003 Budget Work Session

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by McCloskey, second by Gill-Gerbig to adjourn at 9:30 P.M. Ayes: All.