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City of Lauderdale, MN

January-March 2018

Note from the Mayor

Dear Residents,

2018 is shaping up to be a busy year for the City Council. Two items will remain at the forefront of our workload in the upcoming year. The Chinese Christian Church accepted the City's offer to purchase their building site on Eustis Street and discussions with Ramsey County over the acquisition of Eustis Street and Roselawn Avenue are expected to wrap up this spring.

As you likely noticed, the Chinese Christian Church site (1795 Eustis Street) has been for sale for a couple of years. What most residents don't realize is that there have been a couple of interested parties with offers to purchase the property. Deals to repurpose the building have fallen through as perspective buyers realize the costs to bring the building up to code for their new uses.

The Council heard from many of you and your desires for the redevelopment of the site to meet a community need. In order to control the future use and ownership of the site, the Council put forward an offer that was accepted by the Church. The City will complete the purchase of the property this spring. Bonds will be issued to cover the costs of the purchase and a tax increment financing (TIF) district is being established to finance the purchase. More details will be forthcoming in the next edition of the newsletter.

This spring the City Council also will be determining whether to finalize the jurisdictional transfer of Eustis Street and Roselawn Avenue. Our discussions with Ramsey County have focused on the funding the County can provide the City for road rehabilitation and whether that amount covers enough of the cost to make the transfer financially viable for the City. If a deal can be struck, replacement of the pavement and water lines likely would happen in 2019 or 2020.

The Council continues to find ways to improve our community in sustainable and affordable ways. Do not hesitate to contact me with your ideas so we can consider them as we evaluate our short and long-term goals.

Sincerely,
Mayor Mary Gaasch

Recycling Facility Tour

Lauderdale residents are among the best recyclers in Ramsey County so we know many of you would like to tour the facility that sorts and sells your recyclables.

Eureka! Recycling is offering a tour for Lauderdale residents. The tour is scheduled for March 2 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Sign up by emailing Miles Cline at miles.cline@lauderdalemn.org.



Council members Kelly Dolphin, Mary Gaasch, and Roxanne Grove recently toured Eureka! Recycling's Facility in Minneapolis.

JANUARY-MARCH COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tuesday, January 9	City Council Meeting	7:30 p.m. at City Hall
Monday, January 15	City Hall Closed for MLK Jr.	City Hall Offices Closed
Tuesday, January 23	City Council Meeting	7:30 p.m. at City Hall
Tuesday, February 13	City Council Meeting	7:30 p.m. at City Hall
Monday, February 19	City Hall Closed for President's Day	City Hall Offices Closed
Tuesday, February 27	City Council Meeting	7:30 p.m. at City Hall
Friday, March 2	Eureka! Recycling Tour	9:00—11:00 a.m.
Tuesday, March 13	City Council Meeting	7:30 p.m. at City Hall
Wednesday, March 14	Comprehensive Plan Open House	6:00—8:00 p.m. at City Hall
Tuesday, March 27	City Council Meeting	7:30 p.m. at City Hall

CITY & EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

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Fire Emergency: 911
Fire Department: 651.792.7635

Ramsey County Dispatch: 911
Ramsey County Dispatch Non-emergency Number: 651.767.0640

Water Emergency (St. Paul Regional Water): 651.266.6868

Sewer Emergency: 911 or
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Illicit Discharges to the Storm Sewer:
911 or 651.792.7650 (business hours)

Xcel Energy Electric Emergency or
Outage: 1.800.895.1999

Xcel Energy Gas Emergency or Gas
Odor: 1.800.895.2999

COMMUNITY CORNER

Help Us Plan for Lauderdale's Future

Thank you to those that attended the last Comprehensive Plan Open House and met with the consultant during the summer Farmers Markets. Your perspective was insightful and carries great weight in the development of the plan. As the Steering Committee completes its work and the consultant prepares the written embodiment of the goals, strategies, and next steps, the community is asked to participate one more time to ensure the 2040 Comprehensive Plan reflects what we as a community want to look like and be defined as by 2040. If you haven't already, check out the information available at www.lauderdaleplan2040.com and complete the survey. A Comprehensive Plan summary document will be available on the website the week before the Open House.

Comprehensive Plan Open House

When: March 14

Time: 6:00—8:00 p.m.

Where: Lauderdale City Hall

Who: All residents are encouraged to attend!

Upcoming Fix-It Clinics

Don't Trash Broken Stuff – Fix it!

Bring things like small appliances, clothing, electronics and more. Volunteer fixers will help you disassemble, troubleshoot and repair your item for FREE!

Clinics are first-come, first-served. Items must be carry-in, no oversized items. Please bring any tools and parts that might be helpful to fix your item.



2018 Dates

Saturday, January 27, 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Ramsey County Library - Roseville

[2180 North Hamline Ave., Roseville, MN 55113](#)

Saturday, February 24, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

North Haven Church

[2240 15th Ave. East, North St. Paul, MN 55109](#)

Saturday, March 24, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

West Minnehaha Recreation Center

[685 West Minnehaha Ave., St. Paul, MN 55104](#)

Saturday, April 28, 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Ramsey County Library - White Bear Lake

[2150 2nd St., White Bear Lake, MN 55110](#)

For more information or to volunteer, call 651-266-1199 or email FixItClinics@ramseycounty.us.

Senior Services in Lauderdale

The St. Anthony Park Area Seniors offer exercise classes, social outings, home health care visits, rides to medical appointments, and Meals-on-Wheels to help Lauderdale seniors live independently in their homes. To learn more, call 651.642.9052.

Exercise Classes: Offered at Lauderdale City Hall on Mondays and Thursdays from 2:00—3:00 p.m.

Coffee and Board Games: Play board games on the second and third Fridays from 10:00 a.m.—noon at Centennial United Methodist Church.

Senior Cinema Series: *Wonder Woman* on January 11 and *The Glass Castle* on February 8. Movies are shown at 2:00 p.m. at the St. Anthony Park library.

Do You Have Ideas for Park Improvements?

During the budgeting process, the Council discussed the amenities offered at Skyview Park and suggestions offered by residents to enhance both parks. If you have ideas send them to staff so we can prepare options and pricing for Council consideration.



NEIGHBORHOOD HAPPENINGS

Winter Parking: Avoid Getting a Ticket

Winter parking restrictions begin after 2-inches of snowfall. All cars must be off the streets for 48-hours or until curb-to-curb snow removal has been completed after the snow has stopped.

During heavy snow events, Ramsey County plows will return a couple of times to keep the roads open; only after their final plow when the snow has stopped is it alright to move vehicles back on the streets.

Avoid a ticket; if snow is predicted overnight, move your vehicles off the street ahead of time. Residents are welcome to park in the parking lot off of Roselawn Avenue in the Community Park until plowing is completed.

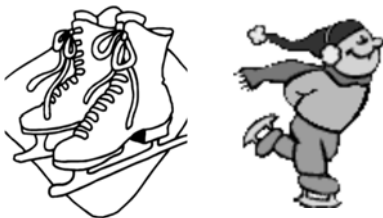
How to Know What's Going On: Join the E-mail Distribution List

Periodically, staff receive messages from residents concerned that they didn't know about a crime alert, city event, or what was scheduled for a city council meeting. While staff provide information through as many avenues as possible such as the newsletter, website, *Park Bugle*, *Roseville Review*, FaceBook, and the cable access channel, we know that our greatest and most direct outreach is through the e-mail distribution list.

Currently, each distribution list message reaches over 250 residents. If you are not one of them, please consider joining. To join, send your email address to heather.butkowski@lauderdalemn.org or from the "E-Mail Updates" link on the City's website.

EXTENDED RINK HOURS:

Lace up your skates for some early day rink time. The rinks are staffed starting at 10 a.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and school release days.



WARMING HOUSE HOURS

Monday-Thursday	4-9 p.m. (opens at 10 a.m. on school release days; open until 10 p.m. preceding school release days)
Friday	4-10 p.m. (opens at 10 a.m. on school release days)
Saturday	10 a.m. -10 p.m.
Sunday	10 a.m. -9 p.m. (closes at 10pm preceding school release days)

Lions Club Offering Two \$1,000 College Scholarships

The Falcon Heights/Lauderdale Lions Club is once again sponsoring two \$1,000 college scholarships for 2018 Roseville Area High School (RAHS) graduates.

The only selection criterion established by the Lions Club is that the recipients be residents of either Lauderdale or Falcon Heights. The scholarship winner will be selected by the Roseville Area High School Scholarship Program committee. The scholarship application can be found in Naviance and in the RAHS Career Center. Applications are due February 27.

NEWS FROM THE DAIS

City Council Meeting Schedule

City council meetings will remain on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month in 2018 with agendas e-mailed ahead of time. Please contact city staff if you would like to be added to the distribution list.

January 9 and 23

February 13 and 27

March 13 and 27

April 10 and 24

May 8 and 22

June 12 and 26

July 10 and 24

August 14 and 28

September 11 and 25

October 9 and 23

November 13 and 27

December 11

Larpenteur Avenue Accidents

Staff fielded questions after the recent Larpenteur Avenue accident that resulted in the loss of four decorative lights and damage to the former Rosehill Service Station and we wanted to share the answers with everyone.

Who maintains the decorative lights on Larpenteur Avenue?

The decorative lights on the north side of Larpenteur Avenue are owned by the City; however, we have an agreement with the City of St. Paul for their maintenance. When a light pole is struck, we notify their electricians. Initially, their staff survey the damage and ensure there is no danger to the public. Ultimately, they replace the broken poles and lights.

The most recent accident resulted in the loss of an entire block's worth of lights. As St. Paul is in the process of switching their "color" of bulb in the new year, the poles were replaced and we are awaiting the replacement of the bulbs in the next month or two.

Who owns the former Rosehill Service Station? What will happen to the damaged building?

The City purchased the building in 2014 and it has been an integral part of our public works operations since then. City staff have been meeting with insurance adjusters to assess the damage and rehabilitation options. Ultimately, the City Council will determine the future of the building.

Who pays for the damage?

The driver's insurance will cover the damage to the lights and building in the most recent accident. In the event a driver does not have insurance, the City would work with its insurer on the claim.

2018 Budget and Levy

The City Council adopted the 2018 levy and budget at the December 12 city council meeting. The General Fund budget balanced at \$1,387,924, an increase of 3.9% over 2017. The primary cost increases were for public safety, finishing the Comprehensive Plan update, and the 2018 elections.

For 2018, the median value home increased to \$189,100 from \$184,800 in 2017. Due to the increase in values relative to the rest of Ramsey County, residents of a median valued home in Lauderdale will see an overall property tax increase of \$141. Of this amount, approximately \$35 will be used for city operations.

Rate for sewer and recycling services increased slightly for 2018. The Council adopted a sanitary sewer rate increase of 1.7% which amounts to an additional \$0.92 per quarter. Similarly, the Council adopted a storm sewer rate increase of 1.4% which amounts to an additional \$0.22 per quarter. These increases cover operating costs in addition to allowing the Council to set aside some money each year for future rehabilitation and replacement of the system.

Finally, the Council adopted a recycling collection rate increase of 5% which amounts to an additional \$1.68 per year. The recycling fund is impacted by the markets for recycled goods. Keep in mind, the more you recycle the lower our recycling rates can be!

PUBLIC SAFETY



St. Anthony Police Receive Training on Procedural Justice by Chief Jon Mangseth

Communities across the United States are facing unprecedented challenges in law enforcement and community relations. As part of our on-going work with the Collaborative Reform Initiative, the Office of Community Orientated Policing Services (COPS) recently supported the implementation of Procedural Justice training for the St. Anthony Police Department.

The Procedural Justice training was developed by the Center for Public Safety and Justice (CPSJ) at the University of Illinois. In November, all POST licensed St. Anthony Officers, our Community Service Officer (CSO), and our office manager successfully completed this interactive training hosted by the St. Anthony Police Department. We were joined in this training by members of the New Brighton Department of Public Safety and the Roseville Police Department.

This training enhanced city-wide Anti-Bias Awareness training that our officers attended in the fall of 2016, as well as Fair and Impartial Policing training completed this past September. It built upon a wide variety of training our officers have completed in areas related to ethics, human relations, and leadership.

Much like the Fair and Impartial Policing Curriculum that we participated in this past September, research suggests that by increasing public cooperation, the procedural approach to community interaction may enhance the safety of both law enforcement officers and the communities we serve.

The Procedural Justice for Law Enforcement curriculum seeks to enhance police legitimacy through improving the everyday interactions of front-line officers and all police staff within the communities we serve. Procedural justice speaks to four principles, often referred to as the four pillars: 1) being fair in processes, 2) being transparent in actions, 3) providing opportunity for voice, and 4) being impartial in decision making. These four principles—or pillars—do not stand alone; they are in place to support one another.

The course's purpose is to create a broader awareness of procedural justice and its core principles, and to remind all of us of the importance of utilizing procedural justice as a means of increasing police legitimacy. We are all aware that community trust grows and legitimacy improves when we (as police officers) treat individuals and groups with respect and exercise authority in a manner that is perceived as fair and just.

The St. Anthony Police Department remains committed to working with the Department of Justice in regards to the Collaborative Reform Initiative for Technical Assistance. We greatly appreciate the technical assistance this collaboration has provided.

Winter Weather Safety and Driving Tips

by Jim South, Police Officer

Well, the weather outside will soon be frightful and the roads will not be delightful so if you have someplace to go take it slow, take it slow, take it slow!!

It is that time of year again and we all need to remember that not only do we need to drive more carefully but we also need to take precautions to help keep us safe on the roads and be ready in case of emergencies.

Prior to getting out on the road, we need to remember that it is State Law to clean all of the windows of your vehicle clear of ice, snow and frost. This is for everyone's safety. When warming up your vehicle, it is advised to be in your vehicle while warming it up unless your vehicle has a remote starter option. Warming up our vehicles in our driveway or letting them run while running a quick errand at the store is a perfect opportunity for thieves to take advantage of us.

Be sure to stock your vehicle with a winter survival kit. Families take many road trips over the holiday season and we want to make sure we are prepared in case severe weather causes our vehicle to be stranded.

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NEWS YOU CAN USE

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Make sure to have blankets, water, snacks, flares, cell phone chargers, hats, and mittens. It also is advised to put a small shovel and bags of sand or salt in your trunk to assist in case your vehicle gets stuck. Also, make sure to leave your gas tanks with at least a quarter tank. This is not because the gas will freeze but to keep your vehicle running to stay warm while waiting for help in case the vehicle becomes stranded.

As we have all heard on local media stations and in our driving classes, we need to remember to Slow Down when the roads are snowy or icy. Even if your vehicle is equipped with four wheel drive, it does not help your vehicle stop in slippery conditions. Leave extra space between your car and the vehicle in front of you. If you are involved in an accident on the freeway, try not to get out of your vehicle, especially if the roads are slippery. Getting out of your vehicle could be more dangerous than remaining inside. Wait for a law enforcement officer or a highway helper to arrive and assist you.

For some, this is their most favorite time of the year and for others it is the most stressful. Let's work together to make it manageable for everyone. Please remember to leave distance behind snow plows and remove cars from the streets after two inches of snowfall so we can all benefit from the wonderful job Public Works does in clearing our roads and alleys.

Have a wonderful holiday season and drive safe!



Salt and Deicer Comparison

Virtually all salt and deicer compounds and blends are damaging to the environment as well as harmful to concrete, metal, and other materials. Some will work in lower temperatures than others. Here is a comparison of some common deicers and their various properties. Please use responsibly and as little as possible. Your shovel is the best defense against snow and ice build up.

Melting Agent	Lowest Melting Temp.*	Things to Know
Urea	20°F	Promotes algae growth in waterways; over-application can harm plants; pet-safe; slow-acting
Sodium Chloride (NaCl)	15°F	Harmful to plants; harmful to concrete; very corrosive to metal; cheap and abundant
Magnesium Chloride (MgCl ₂)	-10°F	Harmful to plants; corrosive to metal; relatively high cost
Potassium Acetate (KAc)	-15°F	Can cause surface slickness; lowers oxygen levels in waterways; biodegradable; relatively high-cost
Calcium Chloride (CaCl ₂)	-20°F	Corrosive to metal; leaves slimy residue; less harmful to concrete
Sand	No melting	Provides traction only; potential pollutant; can be swept up and re-used

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Lauderdale Gift Ideas



Shop at City Hall for Lauderdale t-shirts, hoodies, history books, and mugs. Clothing comes in black and white and men's and women's cuts.

The City would appreciate your feedback! Please feel free to call or visit us at City Hall or email your questions or comments to admin@lauderdalemn.org. Also, please contact City Hall with any changes to your name, address, or phone number.