

**ROSEMOUNT CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING PROCEEDINGS
JANUARY 16, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Rosemount City Council was held on Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at 7:00 PM. in Rosemount Council Chambers, 2875 145th Street West.

Mayor Weisensel called the meeting to order with Councilmembers Freske, Essler, Theisen. Councilmember Klimpel was absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Weisensel

Motion to approve the agenda

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion carried .

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

None.

RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Theisen **Second by** Council Member Freske

Motion to approve the consent agenda with items 6.e & 6.o. removed

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Mayor Weisensel also mentioned the approval of the Rosemount Greenway - Caramore Crossing Segment. Parks & Recreation Director Schultz highlighted maps of where the crossing will be located. Mr. Schultz also highlighted the funding of the project and the project timeline.

- a. Bill Listings
- b. Minutes of the December 21, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
- c. Minutes of the January 2, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

d. Minutes of the January 2, 2024 Work Session Proceedings

e. 2024 Solid Waste Haulers Licenses

Mayor Weisenel pulled this item for further discussion. Mayor Weisenel questioned why not just one carrier?

Parks & Recreation Director Schultz discussed the reasoning for not having just one carrier in town. If residents would like to limit the number of trucks within a neighborhood, the residents should ban together and request one carrier in their neighborhood.

Motion by Mayor Weisenel **Second by** Council Member Freske

Motion to approve the license for the firms listed in the executive summary to haul solid waste in the City of Rosemount.

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion Carried .

f. Agreement to Provide Solid Waste and Recycling Coordination Services

g. JPA with Dakota County for Acquisition and Construction of the Rosemount Greenway

h. Accept Feasibility Report & Order Public Hearing - Aspen Avenue Extension Project

i. Approve City Entry into JPA with Dakota County - Temporary Traffic Signal at County State Aid Highway 42 & Blaine Avenue

j. Renewal of the Small Scale Mineral Extraction Permit for Bolander and Sons

k. Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment Request to Modify Section 11-5-2: Supplementary Regulations to allow for horseshoe or looped driveways with no more than two curb cuts within the RR-Rural Residential Zoning District

l. Renewal of the Vesterra, LLC, and Stonex, LLC, Small Scale Mineral Extraction Permit for 2024.

m. Renewal of the Shafer Contracting Co., Inc. Small Scale Mineral Extraction Permit for 2024

n. Renewal of the Dakota Aggregates Large Scale Mineral Extraction Permit for 2024

o. Application to Conduct Off-Site Gambling - Rosemount Area Hockey Association

Councilmember Essler pulled this item for clarification. Councilmember Freske confirmed the annual event is a fundraiser for Leprechaun Days and the Leprechaun Days Committee is partnering with Rosemount Area Hockey Association. 100% of the proceeds will go towards Leprechaun Days.

Motion by Council Member Essler **Second by** Council Member Freske

Motion to approve Resolution Approving an Application to Conduct Off-Site Gambling for Rosemount Area Hockey Association

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion Carried .

- p. 2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Allocation
- q. 2024-2028 Dakota County South Metro SWAT JPA
- r. Approval of Senior Police Records Specialist Position and Grade Revision of the Records Specialist Position.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Public Improvement Hearing for the 2024 Street Improvement Project, City Project 2024-01

City Engineer Erickson presented the 2024 Street Improvement Project. The 2024 Street Improvement Project (SIP) is included as part of the 2024 - 2033 Capital Improvement Plan. The streets were identified for this improvement through the City's pavement management evaluation and are shown in the attached map. The project is proposed to consist of full depth reclamation, spot repair of curb and gutter, minor utility work and replacement of pedestrian ramps to meet ADA standards. The feasibility report prepared by TKDA, the city's consultant, reviewed existing conditions and proposed improvements, detailed the costs and funding sources and estimated the assessments.

The next step in the process is to hold the Improvement Hearing as required by Minnesota Statute Chapter 429. Additional information at an assessment hearing in April. A preliminary Assessment Roll is included in the Feasibility Report and assessments are proposed based on the Rosemount Special Assessment Policy. Construction would start late spring/early summer with construction wrapping up in the fall. A copy of tonight's presentation will be posted online for the public to view.

Councilmember Freske questioned the benefit of closing the streets. The consultant stated there is an opportunity to save money on road maintenance. Councilmembers confirmed they would like to hear from the public whether the neighborhood approves or disapproves of the street closures. Both the Police and Fire Department stated the closure of the streets would not be a concern for either department.

Councilmember Essler would like to further discuss if there is an opportunity for additional parking near Claret Park; i.e. bump out as this appears to be a safety concern for those traveling on that roadway, pedestrians, etc.

Mayor Weisensel questioned staff when the last time maintenance was done to this road to determine how much life the city got out of the updates.

Mayor opened the public hearing at 7:37 p.m.

John Anderson

15407 Chokecherry Avenue

Mr. Anderson disagrees with the staff's review on the conditions of the roads and believes 155th St W is in worse condition. Mr. Anderson also stated he has been in the neighborhood for a long time and has not seen maintenance completed on these roadways and doesn't believe the residents should have to pay an assessment.

Cory Haugrose

3556 154th Street

Mr. Haugrose stated there has been no maintenance done to these streets and also questions the assessment values as the numbers didn't match the letter he received versus tonight's presentation.

Steve Elm

3855 154th Street West

Mr. Elm stated the condition of the roads continue to get worse and something needs to be done. Mr. Elm is not in favor of closing the proposed roads.

Patrick Wojciechowski

15231 Columbar Circle

Mr. Wojciechowski is not in favor of the closing the proposed roads.

Adam Bengston

3628 154th St W

Mr. Bengston noted he is speaking on behalf of his neighbors and thanked the city for discussing the road improvements. Mr. Bengston encouraged council to discuss how to improve utilities, i.e. fiber optic in this area when the roads are torn up, as this would likely be a more affordable time to do so.

Anita Gamache

3644 154th Street

Ms. Gamache is not in favor of closing the proposed streets. Ms. Gamache also stated she has lived there since 1998 and has not seen any road improvements done. Ms. Gamache also questioned how long the road construction would take and how long any roads would be shut down. Ms. Gamache also noted there are grading issues in front of her driveway and mailbox that she would like looked at during the construction.

Andrea Amott

3899 154th Street

Ms. Amott stated she has mixed feelings on whether to close the roads as she would love more yard space. Ms. Amott noted there are drainage issues in her backyard that typically results in a lot of standing water in this area. Ms. Amott also questioned whether there would be sidewalks in place?

James Kotz

3933 154th Street West

Mr. Kotz was not opposed to the closing of the proposed streets as it may help with the traffic flow. Mr. Kotz also noted there has only been resurfacing done once since he has lived there since 1988.

Maria Wojciechowski

15231 Columbar Circle

Ms. Wojciechowski questioned the assessment fee and if there were any way to make it less of a burden especially since much of the roadway has been neglected per tonight's comments.

Robert Reeise

15366 Chokecherry Avenue

Mr. Reeise stated not a lot of maintenance has been done to the roadways to warrant the cost for homeowners to take this assessment amount on. Mr. Reeise questioned if a sidewalk were to be placed

in the proposed closed streets areas, would the city maintain? Mr. Reeise also commented there is limited parking options at Claret Park and also suggested adding a soccer goal in the grass area.

Ed Loesch

3915 153rd Street West

Mr. Loesch questioned the purpose of removing the streets and what will be placed their instead?

Mayor Weisensel stated at 8:04 p.m. that no action will be taken tonight due to a newspaper publication error. The public hearing will be open to the public at the next meeting on February 6th.

Motion by Freske Second by Theisen

Motion to continue the public hearing until February 6 due to a publication error the paper not receiving the notice.

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion Carried.

City Engineer Erickson clarified the road closures were proposed as a way to save costs on road maintenance and were not requested by the neighborhood.

Mayor Weisensel discussed the reasoning for not having sidewalks within the neighborhoods, i.e. residents typically don't like to shovel, lose land, etc.

Councilmember Freske requested additional information on how streets are chosen each year for street improvements. Mr. Erickson stated there is a pavement condition rating that takes place and is then used as a baseline to determine which neighborhoods should be chosen.

Councilmember Essler questioned the rating of 155th St W as there were several comments made this evening about how bad it is. Councilmember Essler also requested to get the price for a bump out for additional parking at Claret Park.

Pubic Works Director Egger responded to the request to get fiber optic in the area. Mr. Egger stated the city can not force private entities to make the improvements. However, all entities are informed of the project and are aware of the opportunity to make any necessary improvements.

City Engineer Erickson stated any impacts of access to driveways will be communicated to residents and noted the limited access will be very limited if it it occurs.

Councilmember Freske noted the majority of the residents speaking this evening were not in favor of closing the proposed roads and noted she does not see a benefit in closing the roads.

This item will be continued to the February 6th City Council meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Report on Annual Evaluation of City Administrator

In accordance with the terms of employment contract with City Administrator Martin, the City Council conducted a performance evaluation during a closed meeting held on January 2, 2024. Mr. Martin

discussed the results of the evaluation. Councilmembers thanked Mr. Martin for doing a great job.

NEW BUSINESS

a. PD PW Campus Project Update

City Administrator Martin provided a status update of the project. An update of the project will be provided on a monthly basis. Mr. Martin highlighted the following; the project remains on budget, furniture tours were completed last week and still on track to be occupied by the end of 2024.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. City Staff Updates

City Administrator Martin provided updates noting: Absentee voting begins this Friday, approval of the Senior Record Technician, and highlighted the upcoming Rosemount Expo on March 2.

b. Upcoming Community Calendar

Mayor Weisensel reviewed the calendar of events and upcoming meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council at the regular council meeting and upon a motion by Weisensel and a second by Essler the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erin Fasbender", written in a cursive style.

Erin Fasbender
City Clerk