

**ROSEMOUNT CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION PROCEEDINGS
JUNE 4, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER

a. FOLLOWING THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING:

The Council may choose to reconvene the work session after the adjournment of the regular meeting if the business of the work session is unable to be completed in the allotted time.

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a work session of the Rosemount City Council was held on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, at 4:30 PM. in Rosemount Council Chambers, 2875 145th Street West.

Mayor Weisensel called the meeting to order with Councilmembers Freske, Essler, Theisen and Klimpel.

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY (CANCELLED)

a. New Elementary School - Southwest Corner of the intersection of Akron Avenue and Bonaire Path

The groundbreaking event was cancelled due to the forecasted weather.

DISCUSSION - CITY HALL, CONFERENCE ROOM (4:30p.m.)

a. No Parking Signage

City Administrator Martin requested to have this item move to the front of the agenda. The Public Works Director discussed the limited parking available at Rosemount High School (RHS) and the impact that has on nearby neighborhoods as students are beginning to park on the streets in these neighborhoods. Police Chief Dahlstrom further explained the permitting process for students who would like to park in these neighborhoods.

City Council discussed ways to encourage students to carpool. Staff will partner with the school district as a first step to determine ways to problem-solve this ongoing issue. City Council is not in favor of having the parking on the streets a free for all. Staff will work with the school district and try to come up with a solution prior to next school year.

b. Water Supply & Distribution Update

Public Works Director Egger discussed the future needs of the water supply and distribution needs for Rosemount. Mr. Egger discussed the current thresholds noting Rosemount meets the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) guidelines at all levels. Staff is monitoring manganese levels, however MDH considers the current level within standards and it is not currently a regulated issue. Under the direction of the Utility Commission, staff has done outreach to daycare facilities and medical clinics in the region, educating individuals on the impact low levels of manganese could have on children under age one, specifically those on formula.

Mr. Egger explained if a water treatment plant were needed in Rosemount, more than one treatment plant would be necessary due to the layout of the city's network. Rosemount will be adding another well off of Akron Avenue in the coming years and at that time staff will further determine the future needs at that time.

Councilmember Freske suggested testing water at strategically selected homes throughout Rosemount to determine manganese levels on a regular basis over the course of a year, noting it is important to determine what level of investment the City needs to put forth as there is currently not enough data to make any final decisions on the next steps.

City Council agreed to invest in a testing device to further investigate and test water in households throughout Rosemount in order to have a wide range of data points. Staff will report back to Council with their findings next year and determine next steps at that time.

c. Use of Cannabis In Public Places

City Clerk Fasbender provided an overview of the proposed ordinance to prohibit cannabis use in public places as state statute allows cities to adopt an ordinance doing so. Staff has noted there is no intent to prohibit the use of smoking tobacco in public places, only cannabis.

City Council agreed on the proposed ordinance and staff will have the ordinance at a future council meeting for consideration of approval.

d. City Council Compensation

City Clerk Fasbender provided an overview of the requirement for City Council to make compensation adjustments for elected officials prior to the November election. Historically, adjustments have been made to align with staff's cost of living adjustment (COLA).

City Council agreed with proceeding with the COLA adjustment of 4% but advised staff to round up the number. Staff will bring forth a recommendation to adopt the ordinance reflecting the increase at a future council meeting.

UPDATES

a. Staff Reports

City Administrator Martin discussed the status of the market rate study that is currently underway for employees. City Council suggested running the numbers based on tax capacity as well, versus basing the rates on the population alone. Once data is received, additional discussions will be held with City Council during the budget discussions.

Community Development Director Kienberger mentioned the current fee schedule will be updated at a future council meeting due to the administrative citations that need to be included in the fee schedule.

Police Chief Dahlstrom provided an update on staffing and highlighted Officer Paul Larson getting recognized at the next school board meeting for his recent achievement of being awarded Minnesota Juvenile Officer of the Year.

Parks and Recreation Director Schultz highlighted upcoming calendar events.

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 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Erin Fasbender
City Clerk