

**ROSEMOUNT CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 4, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Rosemount City Council was held on Monday, August 4, 2025, at 5:00 PM. in Rosemount Council Chambers, 2875 145th Street West.

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

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.

DISCUSSION

a. Preliminary 2026 Budget discussion

City Administrator Martin and Administrative Services Director Malecha reviewed the 2026 budget and tax levy document provided to the City Council. The current budget before City Council does not include any staff requests and instead staff will review the requests with Council and based on the direction to either add the staff requests back in or keep them out of the 2026 budget.

City Council is in favor of prioritizing Fire Department staff and staff recommend using public safety funds to assist with the funding of the new additions. Chief Springer further elaborated on the two essential positions he recommends; deputy fire Marshall and fire administrative assistant. Both of these positions would still be attending calls. Chief Springer noted the staffing study should be available towards the end of this year.

City Administrator Martin discussed the request for a GIS Analyst. This position would allow additional utilization of the GIS Software that the City has. Councilmember Freske questioned if there would be any opportunity for other staff to crossover and learn the GIS Software. In addition, City Councilmembers recommended this position have experience utilizing artificial intelligence and the capabilities to show efficiencies within City operations. Currently, Councilmember Klimpel and Freske are not in favor for the GIS position at this time.

UPDATES

a. Staff Reports

Staff provided an overview of the status of a response to recent public comment received from Sam Adams, Rosemount resident who has concerns regarding storm water trunk fees. Staff has conducted an analysis of trunk area charges and is looking for council guidance on a response. Further analysis and evaluation of the fees may result in the fee being even higher for them and other parcels, and would require additional time and resources. City Council is supportive of our current policy and application of the fees as currently calculated, and staff will follow up with the Adam's family confirming this.

Community Development Update

Community Development Director Kienberger provided an update on the latest development and the process of approving future projects. Councilmembers agreed that if a project doesn't fit within our vision, staff and Council have the right to be selective while keeping the hometown feel.

Parks & Recreation Updates

Parks and Recreation Director Schultz informed City Council that this fall the old Public Works buildings will be taken down later this fall as part of the future Cental Park project.

Mayor Weisensel recessed the meeting at 6:52 p.m. to the regular meeting.

Mayor Weisensel reconvened the regular meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Administrative Services Update

City Administrator Martin provided an overview of staff's plan to convert to a PTO policy in efforts to assist with recruiting and allow for current employees to have an opportunity to have additional flexibility when it comes to using their earned time off. City Councilmembers were in favor of staff's plans.

Council Updates

Mayor Weisensel questioned staff on how long we will take suggestions for the Speedway Site. City Councilmembers suggested marketing the site as soon as possible with the understanding it could take a couple years. In addition, City Council recommends staff continue to engage with residents especially in that area.

Councilmember Freske provided an update on Leprechaun Days and noted the committee is in the process of getting new recruits.

Mayor Weisensel provided a recap on recent events; i.e. Pine Bend Refinery's 70th anniversary, Carroll's Woods community cleanup, Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Event and the upcoming OneRosemount picnic.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council at the work session and upon a motion by Weisensel the meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Erin Fasbender
City Clerk