



**AGENDA**  
**Parks and Natural Resources**  
**Commission Regular Meeting**  
**Monday, November 24, 2025**  
**7:00 PM**  
**Council Chambers, City Hall**

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
- 2. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - a. Minutes of September 22, 2025, Regular Meeting
- 4. AUDIENCE INPUT**
- 5. DISCUSSION (Response to Audience Input):**
- 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- 7. NEW BUSINESS**
  - a. 2026 Fees and Fee Policy
  - b. Environmental and Sustainability Updates
  - c. Review of Park Rules and City Code
  - d. Director's Report
- 8. ADJOURNMENT**

**ROSEMOUNT PARKS AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING PROCEEDINGS  
SEPTEMBER 22, 2025**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Rosemount Parks and Natural Resources was held on Monday, September 22, 2025, at 7:00 PM. in Rosemount Council Chambers, 2875 145th Street West.

Chairperson Eliason called the meeting to order with Commissioners McDonald, Speich, Bonkoski, Edminson, Andrews and Burman. Commissioner Bass was absent.

Guest: Mike McMenemy

Staff present included the following;  
Parks and Recreation Director Dan Schultz  
Office Specialist Michelle Rambo

**ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Minutes of the August 18, 2025 Regular Meeting

**Motion by** Speich, **Second by** Burman

**Motion** to approve Minutes of the August 18, 2025, Regular Meeting

**Ayes: 7.**

**Nays: None. Motion Carried.**

**AUDIENCE INPUT**

Guest, Mike McMenemy gave a verbal update on the Monarch Butterfly migration that can currently be witnessed on property. He invited everyone to his property to see this phenomenon.

**DISCUSSION (Response to Audience Input):**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. RAAA Storage Needs

**Motion by** Edminson, **Second by** Speich

**Motion** to recommend the City Council approve the non - binding MOU with RAAA for a future storage facility to be built by the city and leased by RAAA.

Staff is also asking that RAAA be responsible for the initial architectural costs.

**Ayes: 7.**

**Nays: None. Motion Carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

a. Environmental and Sustainability Updates

Director Schultz updated the Commission on recent environmental and sustainability efforts, including outreach and education on proper recycling practices, reusable r.Cups being used at events, fall clean-up, and comment opportunities open for a city stormwater prevention program.

b. Director's Report

**Park Improvement Fund Balance as of August 31, 2025: \$5,822,605.41**

Inflows to the Park Improvement fund last month were as follows:

Dedication fee - \$361,165

Grants/Other - \$0

Interest - \$0

Donations - \$0

Expenditures - \$356,607 (park and trail designs and UMore Building)

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Parks and Natural Resources Commission at the regular meeting and upon a motion by Bonkoski and a second by Burman, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Rambo  
Office Specialist

Parks and Natural Resources Commission Regular Meeting: November 24, 2025

<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> 2026 Fees and Fee Policy	<b>AGENDA SECTION:</b> NEW BUSINESS
<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Dan Schultz, Parks & Recreation Director	<b>AGENDA NO.</b> 7.a.
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b> 2025 PR Fee Schedule	<b>APPROVED BY:</b> DLS
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b> None, discussion only.	

**BACKGROUND**

On an annual basis, the Commission reviews the Parks and Recreation related portion of the City’s Fees and Fee Policy. Staff typically makes recommendations on whether the fees and fee policy should be changed and also provides data to support the recommended changes. Fees are often set based on trying to offset a portion of the operating costs and staying current with other similar facilities in the market.

At this point, staff are still collecting information regarding park dedications fees, ice rental rates and facility rental fees. Once the Armory/RCC remodel work is done and the Market Value Analysis is complete for parks dedication, staff will review the fees with the Commission and will develop a recommendation to the City Council.

Attached for your information and review are the current Parks and Recreation fees.

**RECOMMENDATION**

None, discussion only.

**Exhibit D**  
**Parks & Recreation Fees**  
**Community Center, Arena, & Facilities**

**Definitions**

**City Groups, Organization, or Activities**

City Sponsored Activities-Includes Rosemount Halloween Festivity, Leprechaun Days, & Shamrock Awards Banquet.

**Civic and Non-Profit Groups**

Includes Civic Organizations, Political Groups, Churches, Athletic Associations, Fraternal Groups, Charitable Groups, and Character Building Organizations Devoted to Social, Educations, Recreational and Civic Development or Other Like Purposes

**Commercial Groups**

Includes groups that operate for profit or the purpose of promotion or advertisement.

**Governmental Agencies**

Includes County, State, Federal, and Special Tax Districts Serving Rosemount Residents

**Non-Resident Groups**

Includes groups having more than one-half of their members not living within the Rosemount City limits.

**Resident**

Any person who maintains a residential address in the City of Rosemount.

**Resident Groups**

Includes groups having more than one-half of their members living within the Rosemount City limits.

**School District #196**

Includes all directly related school activities including curricular, co-curricular, extracurricular & all directly controlled school organizations; including Community Education.

**Resident Athletic Groups**

Includes RAAA & RAHA

**Priority of Scheduling Facilities**

**Purpose**

Due to the large number of organizations that request Community Center facilities, the City Council has deemed it necessary to group by activity these organizations and establish a priority in order to ensure that Community Center facilities are made available so as to best meet community needs.

**Priority of Users**

1. National Guard
2. Rosemount Parks & Recreation Programs
3. Community Events
4. All Others

**Permits & Rental Agreements**

Uses may be determined by permit, contract or rental agreement on such terms as mutually agreed upon.

**Facility Fees**

**Purpose**

The City Council establishes the following user classifications for the purpose of setting fees. Specific fee charges are dependent on the purpose of the activities, type of group, facility that is requested and special services and/or equipment needed, with consideration to the market place and such other factors as may be deemed relevant. A fee schedule will be established by the City Council after review and recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Commission. The fee schedule will be reviewed as necessary but not less than annually by the Parks and Recreation Commission. Under supervision of the Parks and Recreation Director, the management staff at the Community Center would have the ability to negotiate for last minute rentals, long term rentals, and special events in order to maximize use of the Community Center. Staff would provide quarterly exception reports.

**Fee Class of Users**

Class 1-City Sponsored Activities  
 Class 2-Residents, Resident Civic, Resident Non-Profit Groups, ISD #196 Schools, Other Rosemount Schools & Resident Commercial Groups  
 Class 3-Non-Residents, Non-Resident Civic, Non-Resident Non-Profit Groups, Other Governmental Agencies & Non-Resident Commercial Groups

**Deposits**

Specific to Banquet Hall events, a damage deposit of \$500 is required two weeks prior to the event. As to the Auditorium and Gymnasium, depending on the type of event and group size, a damage deposit of up to \$500 may be added to rental charges. Pending the rental space does not incur any damages; the deposit will be refunded within 21 days after the event date.

Specific to the Auditorium, Banquet Hall and Gymnasium, a non-refundable rental deposit of one-half the fee is required within two weeks of permit issue. The renter will forfeit the reservation if the rental deposit is not received within two weeks after the permit issue date. The balance of the room fee is due two weeks prior to the event.

Specific to the Ice Arena, a non-refundable deposit of 50% of the total contract price is required upon receipt of the Ice Arena contract for use. The remainder of the contract shall be paid before the group gets on the ice. RAHA and RHS (ISD 196) are exempt from paying a deposit and will make full payment for the previous month's ice bill.

Specific to the Classrooms, the rental fee is required with the signed permit. The reservation is not confirmed until both the signed permit and the fees are paid.

**Auditorium**

**Auditorium Alone**

Class 1	no fee for City sponsored events
Class 2	\$53.00 per hour
Class 3	\$68.00 per hour

**Auditorium With the Banquet Hall and Adjoining Lobby (All Day Fee)**

Fee Class	Saturday Fee	Friday Fee	Weekday Fee (Sunday-Thursdays)**
Class 1	no fee for City sponsored events		
Class 2	975 \$1,100	\$875.00	\$575.00
Class 3	1325 \$1,450	\$1,225.00	\$775.00

\*\*Add \$150 for Sunday-Thursdays rentals scheduled past 10:00 p.m., no later than midnight.

**Banquet Hall**

Fee Class	Saturday Fee	Friday Fee	Weekday Fee (Sunday-Thursdays)**
Class 1	no fee for City sponsored events		
Class 2	\$1,000.00	\$775.00	\$475.00
Class 3	\$1,200.00	\$975.00	\$525.00

Classes 2 & 3-Holidays Additional \$500  
 \*\*Add \$150 for Sunday-Thursdays rentals scheduled past 10:00 p.m., no later than midnight.

Classrooms	
Fee Class	Per Classroom
Class 1	no fee for City sponsored events
Class 2	\$27.00 per 3 hours per classroom
Class 3	\$33.00 per 3 hours per classroom
Classroom 221	
Class 1	no fee for City sponsored events
Class 2	\$42.00 per 3 hours per classroom
Class 3	\$48.00 per 3 hours per classroom
<p>The Classrooms will be available for regular meetings. An organization in Fee Class 2 that is a resident civic or resident non-profit group can reserve one Classroom at no charge for one meeting per month. Dependent upon space availability, Rosemount Community Center Staff will coordinate the free meeting space to best accommodate multiple users. An organization can reserve up to one year in advance of the reservation period, and is charged a non-refundable \$26 reservation fee. An additional fee may be assessed relating to cleaning and setup costs.</p>	
Gymnasium	
Fee Class	Hourly
Class 1	no fee for City sponsored events
Class 2	\$37.00 plus tax per hour
Class 3	\$58.00 plus tax per hour
<p>Banquets or dance events in the Gymnasium will be charged Banquet Room rates.  Groups of 50 or more using the Gymnasium will be charged a custodial fee of \$25 per hour of use.</p>	
Audio Visual Equipment	
<p>Easels, paper and markers may be rented for \$16 + tax per use. Easels are free of charge if no paper and markers are requested. There is no charge for use of microphones and lecterns.</p>	
Arena	
<p>Priority of Major Users (+200 Hours per Year) Any cancellations are subject to 50% of the rental fee.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Community Center Sponsored Programs-Open Skating, Learn to Skate, Events, etc.</li> <li>2. Rosemount High School girls and boys hockey games and practices, based on limits mutually agreed upon. Schedule requests are due by May 1st. Revisions are due by July 31st.</li> <li>3. Rosemount Area Hockey Association-Schedule provided by June 1st. Revisions due by July 31st.</li> <li>4. Signed ice contract is due no later than August 7th, each year. After August 7th, RAHA will be required to purchase all ice hours in signed contract.</li> <li>5. Other hockey associations or organizations requesting 200 or more hours per year.  After the above groups have been scheduled consecutively, ice time for secondary users (less than 200 hours per year) will be scheduled on a first come, first served basis.</li> </ol>	
<p>Prime Ice Season: January, February, March, September, October, November and December  Spring/Summer Ice Season: April, May, June, July and August  *Effective January 1, 2025 - 'No School' Day Rentals are Charged Prime Rate</p>	
<p>Prime Time Rental Hours: Monday-Sunday 5:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.  Non-Prime Rental Hours: Monday-Sunday 10:00 p.m. - 5:00 a.m.</p>	
Prime Time Ice-Effective January 1, 2026	\$255.00 plus tax per hour during prime season
Non Prime Time Ice -Effective January 1, 2026	\$175.00 plus tax per hour during prime season
Spring/Summer Ice-Effective January 1, 2026	\$175.00 plus tax per hour
Dry Floor Events	fees plus tax negotiated by management staff

## Outdoor Facilities

### Park Facility Priority Use

All City of Rosemount Parks and Recreation Activities will be given priority; all facilities will be scheduled to accommodate these activities. After all Parks and Recreation activities have been scheduled accordingly, then requests will be granted to other users in order of their priority as listed below. User Groups 2, 5, 6 and 7 are charged facility fees for tournaments and camps only. Fees are not charged for regular season play.

#### Priority of Use

1. City Sponsored Events-All Parks and Recreation activities which include, but are not limited to, adult leagues, tournaments, playground programs, special events, etc.
2. RAAA and RAHA
3. Residents
4. Other youth sports organizations based on resident participants.
5. Rosemount Schools K-12
6. Rosemount Colleges and Universities (Unless a Special Agreement is in Place for Use)
7. All Other Requests

### Facility Fees

Cancellations will be subject to 50% of the rental fee. No refunds for inclement weather.

#### Erickson Softball Complex and Tournament Fees

Athletic Fields (Ball, Soccer)	\$50.00 plus tax per field per day
Field Maintenance	\$37.00 per hour or cost incurred by City
Chalk	cost incurred by City
Field Dry	cost incurred by City

#### Park Shelter Fees

##### Open Shelter (Does Not Include Other Park Amenities)

Resident	\$53.00 plus tax per day
Non-Resident	\$70.00 plus tax per day

##### Enclosed Shelter (Does Not Include Other Park Amenities)

Resident	\$84.00 plus tax per day
Non-Resident	\$137.00 plus tax per day

##### Amphitheater (Comes With Use of Central Park Shelter)

Resident	\$158.00 plus tax per day
Non-Resident	\$263.00 plus tax per day

#### Non-League Facility Fees

Athletic Fields (Ball, Soccer)	\$42.00 plus tax per field per day
Tennis Court	\$11.00 plus tax per court for 4 hours
Hockey Rink	\$16.00 plus tax per rink for 4 hours
Volleyball Court	\$11.00 plus tax per court per day

#### Camps

Resident	\$57.00 plus tax per field per day
Non-Resident	\$70.00 plus tax per field per day

Direct maintenance fees for camps will be added to rental fees.

#### Independent League Field Fees

Fields (Ball, Soccer, Outdoor Rinks)	\$315.00 plus tax per team per 12 week season
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#### Other Fees

DCTC Soccer Lights	\$37.00 plus tax
Portable Toilet	based upon price quote by toilet provider
Damage Deposit	\$158.00 all events (refundable)
Lost Key Fee	\$53.00 per key

**Exhibit E**

**The Rosemount Steeple Center Fees**

	Monday-Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
All Rentals are Tax Exempt	Limited Availability for rentals before 4 p.m. Call 651-322-6016 to inquire.			
<b>Assembly Hall</b> Dimensions 30'x73' 20'-31' wide, up to 28' deep  Theater Seating Capacity: 204 Capacity with Tables/Chairs: 192	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>4 p.m.-9 p.m.</b> 3 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$50/hr Non-Resident: \$70/hr	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>9 a.m.-11 p.m.</b> 6 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$60/hr Non-Resident: \$80/hr	<b>Full Day Rental Only</b> <b>9 a.m.-11 p.m.</b> Resident: \$840 Non-Resident: \$1,120	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>2 p.m.-9 p.m.</b> 5 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$60/hr Non-Resident: \$80/hr *May be subject to Sunday Set Up Fee
<b>Room #100</b> Capacity with Tables/Chairs: 60 Square Card Tables (up to 15)	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>4 p.m.-9 p.m.</b> 3 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$20/hr Non-Resident: \$25/hr	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>1 p.m.-11 p.m.</b> 6 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$25/hr Non-Resident: \$30/hr	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>9 a.m.-11 p.m.</b> 6 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$25/hr Non-Resident: \$30/hr	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>9 a.m.-9 p.m.</b> 5 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$25/hr Non-Resident: \$30/hr
<b>Room #200/201</b> 8' Banquet Tables (up to 10) Capacities: Lecture Seating no Tables: 80 Lecture Seating w/Tables: 40 Banquet/Double Sided Seating: 80	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>4 p.m.-9 p.m.</b> 3 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$25/hr Non-Resident: \$30/hr	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>1 p.m.-11 p.m.</b> 6 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$30/hr Non-Resident: \$35/hr	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>9 a.m.-11 p.m.</b> 6 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$30/hr Non-Resident: \$35/hr	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>2 p.m.-9 p.m.</b> 5 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$30/hr Non-Resident: \$35/hr
<b>Room #202</b> 8' Banquet Tables (up to 6) Capacities: Lecture Seating w/Tables: 24 Hollow Square Meeting: 24 Banquet/Double Sided Meeting: 48	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>4 p.m.-9 p.m.</b> 3 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$15/hr Non-Resident: \$20/hr	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>1 p.m.-11 p.m.</b> 6 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$20/hr Non-Resident: \$25/hr	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>9 a.m.-11 p.m.</b> 6 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$20/hr Non-Resident: \$25/hr	<b>Available Hours</b> <b>9 a.m.-9 p.m.</b> 5 Hour Min. Rental Resident: \$20/hr Non-Resident: \$25/hr
<b>Additional Fees</b>				
Refundable Damage Deposit-Required for Rental of Assembly Hall Only			\$300.00	
Security Fee if Alcohol is Served (See Alcohol Policy)			\$350.00	
Change Over Fee (e.g. Ceremony to Reception)			\$200.00	
Sunday Set Up Fee (If Event Requires Round Table Guest Seating)			\$200.00	
Holiday Fee (For Rentals on Federal Holiday)			\$500.00	
<b>Equipment Rental</b>				
Screen Rental			\$50.00	plus tax per event
LCD Rental			\$100.00	plus tax per event

**Exhibit F  
Park Dedication Fees**

**Park Dedication Fees**

Park dedication fees are outlined in City Subdivision Ordinance and City Ordinance No. XVII.103 and .107:

In all new residential subdivisions, the City shall require that a sufficient portion of such land be set aside and dedicated to the public for parks, playgrounds or other public use exclusive of property dedicated for streets and other public ways. It shall be presumed that a sufficient amount of land has been dedicated for parks and playgrounds for the present and future residents of the subdivision, if the subdivider dedicates at least 1/25 of an acre per dwelling unit that can be constructed in the subdivision. The City upon consideration of the particular type of development proposed in the subdivision may require larger or lesser amounts of land be dedicated if the City determines that the present and future residents of the subdivision would require greater or lesser amounts of land for such purposes. The City shall determine whether cash in lieu of land dedication is more appropriate. The amount of cash dedication shall be determined by multiplying the number of acres otherwise required to be dedicated by the average value of comparable undeveloped land set by resolution by the City Council.

In all new commercial and industrial subdivisions, it shall be presumed that a sufficient amount of land has been dedicated to serve the needs of the resident and working population if the sub divider dedicates at least ten percent (10%) of the land in the subdivision for parks, recreation and usable open space. The City upon consideration of the particular type of development proposed in the subdivision may require larger or lesser amounts of land to be dedicated if it determines that the present and future residents of the subdivision would require greater or lesser amounts of land for such purposes. The City shall determine whether cash in lieu of land dedication is appropriate. The amount of cash dedication shall be determined by multiplying the number of acres otherwise required to be dedicated by the average value of comparable undeveloped land set by resolution of the City Council.

**Land Values for the Dedication of Land and/or Cash Contribution**

<b>New Residential Subdivision</b>	
Low Density Residential	\$85,000/\$3,400 per acre/per unit
Medium Density Residential	\$95,000/\$2,850 per acre/per unit
High Density Residential	\$125,000/\$2,500 per acre/per unit
<b>Commercial Subdivision</b>	<b>\$90,000.00 per acre</b>
<b>Industrial Subdivision</b>	<b>\$50,000.00 per acre</b>
<b>Business Park Development</b>	<b>\$85,000.00 per acre</b>

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<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> Environmental and Sustainability Updates	<b>AGENDA SECTION:</b> NEW BUSINESS
<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Dan Schultz, Parks & Recreation Director	<b>AGENDA NO.</b> 7.b.
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>APPROVED BY:</b> DLS
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b> None, discussion only.	

**BACKGROUND**

Solid Waste & Recycling Program Updates – Fall 2025

Reuse Initiatives

- Food Truck Fest was held on September 20 in Rosemount. Reusable r.Cups were used at the event, successfully diverting 2,460 cups from the landfill (96% return rate).
- Rosemount Oktoberfest took place on October 11. The event achieved an impressive 99% return rate for reusable cups, which is attributed to the smaller, more condensed layout of the event space.
- The Halloween Costume Swap took place on September 30 in Hastings and was attended by 90 people. The swap was open to all Dakota County residents. A total of 79.36 pounds of costumes were collected, with 35.87 pounds swapped, resulting in a 55% swap rate. The remaining 43.49 pounds were donated to the Hastings Salvation Army.
- The Outdoor Winter Clothing Swap was held on November 4 in Farmington, with 33 people attending. The swap was open to all Dakota County residents. A total of 162.81 pounds of clothing were received, of which 64.29 pounds were swapped, resulting in a 40% swap rate. The remaining 98.52 pounds were donated to Caring Hearts in Action.
- Dakota County hosted a Fix-It Clinic in partnership with the City of Rosemount on September 20. It was the largest Fix-It Clinic of 2025 and the largest amount of weight ever seen at a Fix-It Clinic, closely beating the January 2024 clinic at Galaxie Library in Apple Valley. The event also took second place for number of attendees and number of items seen, right behind the January 2024 clinic at Galaxie Library in Apple Valley.

Special Collections

- The Rosemount Fall Cleanup event occurred on October 4. During the event, 52 mattresses and box springs were recycled, and 3,740 pounds of documents were securely shredded.
- The Annual Pumpkin Collection took place on November 1 and 2. Over 7 tons of pumpkins were

collected and transported to SET in Empire for composting.

- The Holiday Light Collection began on November 15 and will continue through January 31. Collected lights are delivered to the Recycling Zone in Eagan, where the metal components are extracted and recycled.

We're in the middle of prepping for winter snow clearing operations. Some measures we take to reduce de-icing chemical (salt, chloride) pollutions while maintaining safe roads:

- Snow Plowing Policy that limits deicing applications to major roads, hills, intersections, and problem areas.
- All staff involved in snow removal operations must be smart salt certified by the state of MN.
- Hold an annual plow training where we remind staff of policies and best practices to reduce salt pollution.
- Equipment is kept maintained and calibrated.
- Event operations take into account storm dynamics, including temperature and timing.
- All trucks are equipped with tracking equipment that logs location, time, speed, and amount of salt applied to help determine if further efficiencies can be found.
- We keep on top of and try out new technologies:
  - Added pre-storm brine application equipment in recent years
  - Annually try out new products
  - In 2025/2026 we will be trying a new brine additive that is supposed to work more efficiently at colder temperatures. The new public works and police campus has a heated entry sidewalk which is a first for the city and something we will closely monitor.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

None, discussion only.

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<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> Review of Park Rules and City Code	<b>AGENDA SECTION:</b> NEW BUSINESS
<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Dan Schultz, Parks & Recreation Director	<b>AGENDA NO.</b> 7.c.
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b> Park Rules - City Code 2025	<b>APPROVED BY:</b> DLS
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b> None, discussion only.	

**BACKGROUND**

Staff is recommending that we review the current City code relating to park rules. Some of the reasons for possibly making changes to the rules include:

**Population Growth Brings New Needs**

As our community grows, so does the diversity of park users. New residents may bring different expectations, recreational habits, and cultural norms. Updating rules ensures they reflect the current and future needs of the population.

**Increased Usage = Greater Impact**

More people using parks means more wear and tear, more potential for conflicts, and a greater need for clear, enforceable guidelines. Updated rules help: Protect natural resources, ensure safety and promote equitable access.

**Address Emerging Issues**

Fast growth often introduces new challenges, such as: e-bike and scooter usage, drone flying, off-leash dog areas and organized sports vs. casual use conflicts.

**Align with Current Laws and Best Practices**

Older rules may be out of sync with state or federal regulations, ADA accessibility standards and environmental sustainability goals.

Staff will review the current rules at the meeting and discuss some areas for possible updates.

**RECOMMENDATION**

None, discussion only.

## City of Rosemount - Park Rules

### 4-3-1: PURPOSE AND INTENT:

The purpose of this chapter is to provide for the regulated use of and the protection of life and property in or on city parks. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

### 4-3-2: DEFINITIONS:

For the purposes of this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings given them:

**CITY PARK:** Any land owned by the city of Rosemount and designated as a park by the city council by separate resolution.

**LIQUOR:** A beverage capable of inducing intoxication, including, but not limited to, 3.2 beer, wine and wine coolers.

**MOTORIZED VEHICLES:** Any motor vehicle, whether designed for, used or capable of use for travel, lodging, sport, amusement or recreation, whether or not eligible to be licensed for use upon streets or highways, including, but not limited to, automobiles, buses, trucks, tractor trailers, tractors, motorbikes, motor scooters, minibikes, trail bikes, motorcycles, go-karts, hovercrafts, snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles or dune buggies. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

### 4-3-3: PARK HOURS:

A. Closing Hours: Except as otherwise provided, parks shall be closed between the hours of ten o'clock (10:00) P.M. and six o'clock (6:00) A.M. of the following day, and no person shall be upon city park property during these hours.

B. Exceptions:

1. Persons shall be allowed upon city park property after closing hours if they have a permit from the parks and recreation department.

2. Erickson park shall be closed at eleven o'clock (11:00) P.M. rather than ten o'clock (10:00) P.M.

3. The city council may by resolution modify the closing hours as it may deem appropriate.

4. City personnel may be in the parks at any time if acting in the course of their official duties.

5. City personnel may assign special hours of use by posting at park site. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

### 4-3-4: CITY PARK RESERVATIONS:

No person or group shall have exclusive use of all or any portion of a park unless they have first reserved the property with the parks and recreation department and procured a permit. Unless an exclusive use permit is procured, use of the park property will be on first come, first served basis. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

#### **4-3-5: VEHICLE USE/PARKING REGULATIONS:**

A. Use of motorized vehicle, including operation and parking, within city parks shall be unlawful except upon roads or trails specifically designated for such use.

B. No person shall operate or park a motorized vehicle within city parks during hours when the park is closed unless authorized by permit issued by the parks and recreation department.

C. No person shall park a motorized vehicle within city parks unless that person is a patron of the park at that time or unless authorized by permit issued by the parks and recreation department.

D. No person shall park a motorized vehicle on the east side of Brazil Avenue within Erickson Park, unless authorized by permit issued by the parks and recreation department. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

#### **4-3-6: FIRE:**

A. No person shall ignite a fire in any city park except in:

1. Barbecue grills provided. Charcoal fires are permitted in barbecue grills only, no wood fires allowed.

2. Designated firepit in Central Park by permit authorized by the city fire marshal.

B. No person igniting or attending a fire shall leave the area before the fire has been completely extinguished.

C. City personnel upon authorization of the city fire marshal are able to ignite fires with the use of various combustible materials. (Ord. B-241, 9-16-2014)

#### **4-3-7: LITTER:**

No person shall litter any city park or any lake, pond or watercourse within or draining into a city park with any form of trash or waste material. Such trash or waste material shall be deposited in the proper receptacles when provided; where receptacles are not provided, all trash or waste material shall be carried away from the area by the person responsible for its presence. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

#### **4-3-8: PERSONAL PROPERTY:**

No person shall leave or store personal property within any city park without written permission from the parks and recreation department. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

#### **4-3-9: PROTECTION OF PROPERTY, STRUCTURES AND NATURAL RESOURCES:**

A. Damaging Or Removing Property Prohibited: No person shall wilfully deface, vandalize or otherwise cause destruction to city park property.

B. Flowers, Trees And Shrubs: No person shall wilfully and without authority cut, pluck or otherwise injure any flowers, shrubs, trees or other plant material growing in or around any city park. No person shall introduce any form of vegetation within a park without permission from the parks and recreation department.

C. Birds Or Animals: No person shall wilfully and without authority kill, trap, hunt, pursue or in any manner disturb or interfere with any species of wildlife in any city park without permission from the parks and recreation department. No person shall release any insect, fish or animal in any city park without permission from the parks and recreation department.

D. Restitution: In addition to other penalties, any person violating the provisions of this section shall make restitution to the parks and recreation department for the full value of the damage caused, including, but not limited to, the cost of repairs, replacement and labor. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

#### **4-3-10: LIQUOR RESTRICTIONS:**

A. Possession And Consumption Restricted: The possession and/or consumption of liquor in any city park shall be prohibited except as provided in subsection B of this section.

B. Use In Parks: "Wine" and "3.2 percent malt liquor", as defined in Minnesota statutes, section 340A.101, may be possessed or consumed, but only in the following city parks or areas of city parks:

1. All areas of Erickson Park.
2. City parks with shelters, by permit only, obtained through the parks and recreation department, provided that consumption and possession of beer and wine is limited to areas within fifty feet (50') of a shelter.
3. No glass bottles are allowed in the parks.

C. Sale Of Liquor In Erickson Park: With the approval of the city council, a license may be issued for the sale of "3.2 percent malt liquor" as defined in Minnesota statutes, section 340A.101, only in Erickson Park. If a license is issued, it must be posted in a conspicuous place in the premises selling the 3.2 percent malt liquor. (Ord. XVI.30, 4-4-1995)

#### **4-3-11: ANIMALS 1 :**

A. Proper Restraint: A dog or cat is considered to be under restraint on city park property only when it is controlled with the use of a leash no longer than ten feet (10') or when it is under voice or signal command in the exercise areas designated by the city.

B. Feces Removal: All persons in control of an animal on city park property shall have in his/her possession at all times apparatus which can be used for cleaning up feces and/or a bag for proper disposal of feces. The person in control of an animal is responsible for picking up his/her animal's feces and disposing of it properly.

C. Proper Control: No person shall permit a dog or other animal to disturb, harass or interfere with or endanger any visitor or visitor's property. No person shall tether and leave unattended any dog or animal to a tree, plant, building or city park equipment.

D. Special Events: No animals under human control shall be allowed on the Carrolls Woods Trails during the parks and recreation sponsored Halloween Haunted Woods event, except lead dogs for the sight impaired persons. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

## Notes

1 1. See title 7, chapter 4 of this code.

### **4-3-12: GOLF:**

No person shall play the game of golf or engage in putting, practice swinging or the striking of any golf balls in any city park. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

### **4-3-13: RESTROOMS:**

Every person shall cooperate in maintaining restrooms, washrooms and other sanitation facilities in a neat, orderly and sanitary condition. No person shall use the restrooms and washrooms designed and designated for members of the opposite sex, except for children who may be accompanied by an adult when deemed appropriate. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

### **4-3-14: PUBLIC SALES:**

No person shall expose or offer for sale, rent or hire any article or thing or conduct any commercial enterprise within a city park unless that person has obtained a permit from the parks and recreation department. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

### **4-3-15: POSTERS AND ADVERTISEMENTS:**

A. No person shall post, glue, tack or otherwise affix any sign, placard, advertisement or other inscription whatsoever to public property within any city park.

B. No person shall distribute or disseminate leaflets, pamphlets or other written or printed material, or use loudspeakers or other amplifying systems, in any city park without a permit from the parks and recreation department. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

### **4-3-16: GLASS:**

No person shall bring glass containers of any kind into any city parks, including, but not be limited to, beverage containers, drinking glasses, etc. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

### **4-3-17: WEAPONS PROHIBITED:**

The use or possession of "firearms", as defined in title 7, chapter 5 of this code, within the city parks is prohibited, except the use of archery equipment in designated archery ranges. (Ord. XVI.27, 2-1-1994)

### **4-3-18: VIOLATIONS; PENALTIES:**

Any person who shall violate any provision of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as described in title 1, chapter 4 of this code. (Ord. XII.21, 6-15-2004)

**4-3-19: VETERANS MEMORIAL:**

Pursuant to Minnesota statutes, section 416.01, the city council is authorized to erect, equip, maintain, supervise and control the veterans memorial monument and the Rosemount veterans memorial walk project in Central Park in recognition of the services performed by soldiers, sailors, marines and war veterans of the United States. (Ord. XXI.20, 8-18-2009)

Parks and Natural Resources Commission Regular Meeting: November 24, 2025

<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> Director's Report	<b>AGENDA SECTION:</b> NEW BUSINESS
<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Dan Schultz, Parks & Recreation Director	<b>AGENDA NO.</b> 7.d.
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>APPROVED BY:</b> DLS
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b> None, discussion only.	

### BACKGROUND

**Park Improvement Fund Balance as of October 31, 2025: \$5,393,748.00**

Inflows to the Park Improvement Fund last month were as follows:

Dedication fees - \$0

Grants/Other - \$0

Interest - \$0

Donations - \$0

Expenditures - \$153,021.47 (park and trail designs, dog park project and UMore Building)

**Market Value Analysis – Parks Dedication Fees** – We are expecting to see the draft results of the Market Value Analysis in the next thirty days. The City last reviewed land prices in relation to park dedications fees in 2016. The Market Value Analysis will be based on recent comparable sales of vacant land for low, medium and high-density residential development, along with commercial, industrial and business park development. The sales to be reviewed should have taken place in Rosemount or a nearby community. The data we receive will help us with updating the City’s Fees and Fee Policies for 2026, which we will do after the first of the year.

**Pumpkin Composting** - Rosemount residents dropped off more than 7 tons of pumpkins during this year’s pumpkin collection event! The pumpkins collected were brought to SET in Empire to be composted. More than 1 billion pounds of pumpkins end up in U.S. landfills each year after Halloween, so any way to prevent waste and put pumpkins back to work after the spooky season is a win!



**Craft Supplies Swap** - On Thursday 10/23, we hosted our first Craft Supplies Swap Meet in the Assembly Hall at the Steeple Center. This event was geared toward our senior population, with a goal of helping people declutter and in turn giving crafters a chance to pick up some free supplies. We ended up with a lot of donations, filling up more than 15 tables! While we did not keep official count of the people who donated and/or picked up supplies, we estimate that at least 40-50 people walked through our doors for the event. A good portion of the supplies were taken by shoppers. Any remaining high-quality items were boxed up and donated to area organizations or thrift stores, and a small portion of unusable or lower quality items were discarded. Overall, it was a successful event that we look forward to hosting again in the future.

**RECOMMENDATION**

None, discussion only.