



**AGENDA**

**Parks and Natural Resources  
Commission Regular Meeting**

**Monday, May 18, 2026**

**7:00 PM**

**Council Chambers, City Hall**

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
  - a. Oath of Office
- 2. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - a. Minutes of the April 27, 2026, Regular Meeting
- 4. AUDIENCE INPUT**
- 5. DISCUSSION (Response to Audience Input):**
- 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
  - a. Parks and Recreation Improvements
- 7. NEW BUSINESS**
  - a. Environmental and Sustainability Updates
  - b. Director's Report
- 8. ADJOURNMENT**

**ROSEMOUNT PARKS AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING PROCEEDINGS  
APRIL 27, 2026**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting of the Parks and Natural Resources Commission was held on Monday, April 27, 2026, at 7:00 PM. in Rosemount Council Chambers, 2875 145th Street West.

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

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 March 23, 2026, Regular Meeting

**Motion by Bonkoski Second by Burman**

**Motion** to approve minutes of the March 23, 2026, Regular Meeting

**Ayes: 7.**

**Nays: None. Motion Carried.**

**AUDIENCE INPUT**

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. Parks Dedication Fees

**Motion by Eliason Second by Bonkoski**

**Motion** to increase the Parks Dedication Fees for low, medium & high density residential subdivisions as follows:

Low Density from \$3,400 to \$5,500

Medium Density from \$2,850 to \$5,000

High Density from \$2,500 to \$4,500

**Ayes: 7.**

**Nays: None. Motion Carried.**

Park Dedication Fee Comparable Community Survey

<i>City</i>	<i>Low Density</i>	<i>Medium Density</i>	<i>High Density</i>
Cottage Grove	\$4,900	\$3,600	\$2,200
Lakeville	\$6,007	\$4,087	\$3,133
Rogers	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000
Chanhassen	\$5,800	\$5,000	\$3,800
Shakopee	\$5,500	\$4,500	\$2,500
Eagan	\$5,045	\$5,165	\$4,820
Oakdale	\$4,700	\$3,800	\$2,800
Woodbury	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000
Inver Grove Heights	\$3,850	\$4,000	\$4,900
Prior Lake	\$3,750	\$3,750	\$3,750
Lake Elmo	\$3,600	\$3,600	
Hastings	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,600
Rosemount	<del>\$3,400</del> \$5,500	<del>\$2,850</del> \$5,000	<del>\$2,500</del> \$4,500
<i>Mean</i>	<i>\$4,627</i>	<i>\$4,150</i>	<i>\$3,667</i>
<i>Median</i>	<i>\$4,350</i>	<i>\$4,000</i>	<i>\$3,675</i>

b. Bloomfield Park Playground Replacement

**Motion by Edminson Second by Andrews**

**Motion** to accept the proposal and recommend City Council award the contact to Midwest Playscapes with the addition of a saucer swing.

**Ayes: 7.**

**Nays: None. Motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

a. Environmental and Sustainability Updates

Environmental and Sustainability updates from Director Schultz included:

- City of Rosemount and RAAA sports equipment SWAP (Surplus with a Purpose)
- The Citywide Garage sale is back May 14-16 with an all-new online map available for bargain hunters.
- Spring Cleanup is May 16th from 8am-noon at the Dakota Area Transfer Station.
- May is recognized as "Mow less May" by the City Council.
- Attendance was up at the Expo

b. Selection of Chair and Vice Chair

**Motion by McDonald Second by Andrews**

**Motion** to have Michael Eliason continue to serve as Chair of the Parks and Natural Resources Commission.

**Ayes: 7.**

**Nays: None. Motion carried.**

**Motion by McDonald Second by Andrews**

**Motion** to have James Bonkowski continue to serve as Vice Chair of the Parks and Natural Resources Commission.

**Ayes: 7.**

**Nays: None. Motion carried.**

c. Director's Report

**Park Improvement Fund Balance as of March 31, 2026: \$4,950,120**

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

Dedication fees - \$0

Grants/Other - \$0

Interest - \$ N/A

Donations - \$0

Expenditures - \$39,394 (park and trail designs, dog park project 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 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Rambo  
Office Specialist

Parks and Natural Resources Commission Regular Meeting: May 18, 2026

<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b> Parks and Recreation Improvements	<b>AGENDA SECTION:</b> UNFINISHED BUSINESS
<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Dan Schultz, Parks & Recreation Director	<b>AGENDA NO.</b> 6.a.
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>APPROVED BY:</b> DLS
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b> No action is being requested for this item.	

**BACKGROUND**

As discussed at past meetings, the City Council held their annual goal-setting meeting on Friday, January 30, 2026. The City Council discussed several parks and recreation improvement opportunities. The items discussed included building new baseball and softball fields, securing land for a future athletic complex, adding indoor ice, development of new greenway trails, expanding Central Park, refurbishment of Erickson Park ballfields, installing some new playgrounds and improvements to the Steeple Center.

At the meeting on Monday, staff will provide an update on the status of the proposed improvements, including estimated project costs, possible tax impacts and possible project timelines.

**RECOMMENDATION**

No action is being requested for this item.

Parks and Natural Resources Commission Regular Meeting: May 18, 2026

<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.a.
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>APPROVED BY:</b> DLS
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b> No action is being requested.	

**BACKGROUND**

Environmental and Sustainability Updates:

- We were able to conduct a prescribed burn on half of the native areas at Flint Hills.
- Working with a couple of high school students with management of garlic mustard and burdock in Carrols Woods.
  
- Mow Less May
  - Look for weekly tips on social media about yard care practices that save water, help water quality, and protect pollinators.
  - [Article on the front page of the city website under News & Highlights.](#)
  
- Rosemount will host a [Landscaping for Clean Water](#) Introduction Class on June 9 at 6:00PM at the Public Works & Police Campus.
  - A Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) Program that encourages planting of native plant gardens, rain gardens, and native plant shorelines (buffers) for their water quality and pollinator benefits.
  - Residents that continue through the design workshops that follow could qualify for a \$400 reimbursement to install a garden.
  - The program aligns well with the [Rosemount Stormwater Rebate](#), so most projects that receive an SWCD reimbursement can also qualify for a rebate. The average Stormwater Rebate is \$370.

- There's still time for residents to apply for a [Water Efficiency Rebate](#) for water-saving appliance rebates.
  - Rebates are available for [WaterSense](#) certified low flow toilets and irrigation controllers; [Energy Star](#) certified clothes washers and dishwashers; and irrigation audits.
  - The average rebate is \$112.
  - Rebate application forms and receipts must be received by June 15 to qualify for this funding round.
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- The City of Rosemount partnered with RAAA for a sports equipment collection drive and swap. Over 500 lbs. of sports equipment was donated! Items were shared with RAAA athletes for free as part of the RAAA scholarship program on May 1 & 2. Items not swapped will be sold to consignment stores and donated to the RHS Band Mega Garage Sale.
  - The 2026 Citywide Garage Sale reached 82 registrations, the highest since 2012! Be sure to check out the [new online map](#) of all our sales.
  - Rosemount's Spring Cleanup will be Saturday, May 16, from 8am-noon. Residents should check the [Citywide Cleanup Event page](#) for a list of fees and helpful FAQs.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

No action is being requested.

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<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.b.
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>APPROVED BY:</b> DLS
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b> No action is required.	

### BACKGROUND

**Park Improvement Fund Balance as of April 30, 2026: \$4,887,617**

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

Dedication fees - \$0

Grants/Donations - \$0



Expenditures - \$47,786 (park, greenway and trail designs, dog park project and UMore Building)

#### **RAAA Sports Equipment Swap**

Last weekend, the City partnered with RAAA to host a sports equipment collection drive and swap. Over 500 lbs. of sports equipment was donated and got a second life on the field!

#### **Arbor Tree Give Away**

On May 2nd, the City held our 35th Annual Arbor Day Celebration. We had a tree giveaway at the Old Central Garage Building. The City gave away 150 bare root trees to residents.

### RECOMMENDATION

No action is required.