

**ROSEMOUNT CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 18, 2026**

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, August 18, 2026, at 7:00 PM. in Rosemount Council Chambers, 2875 145th Street West.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Weisensel **Second by** Essler

Motion to approve the agenda

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion Carried.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None.

RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Klimpel **Second by** Essler

Motion to approve consent agenda

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion carried.

- a. Bill Listings
- b. Minutes of the August 3, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
- c. Minutes of the August 3, 2026 Work Session Proceedings
- d. Donation Acceptance from Rosemount Leprechaun Days
- e. Approval to Advertise for Bids - Fire Station 2 Addition and Remodel

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Requests by North Wind Test for approval of preliminary and final plats, planned unit development master development plan to construct the first phase of an aerospace testing facility.

Senior Planner, Nemcek, presented the request for North Wind Test, Minnesota Aerospace Complex, for approval of preliminary and final plats, a planned unit development master development plan to construct the first phase of an aerospace testing facility. The proposed plat proposes three parcels, two buildable lots (Phase 1 and Xcel Substation) and one outlot. The applicant is requesting deviations from 6 sections of the zoning ordinance; building height, parking, fencing, landscaping, lighting and architectural standards.

In addition, Mr. Nemcek discussed environmental remediation as this was the first piece of land sold by the University needing remediation. To note, Amber Fields and Meta sites were chosen for sale first because soils were not contaminated. The cleanup has already occurred on site and mainly asbestos was removed. Mr. Nemcek also discussed the applicant provided an analysis of potential noise based on the design of the proposed project. The noise generated will fall within limits well before it reaches residential properties.

Councilmember Freske questioned whether the Xcel Substation will be dedicated to North Wind or will others be able to pull off the grid?

Councilmember Klimpel questioned who paid for the cleanup of the soil? Mr. Nemcek stated that was a cost share between the applicant and the University.

North Wind Representatives were present and answered questions regarding the project; the cost of the Xcel Substation is a North Wind cost and part of funding through the state. North Wind confirmed the cost is not passed on to the residents of Rosemount. In addition, the usage of power is yet to be determined through a usage agreement with Xcel Energy, however any excess capacity could be given back to the community.

Mayor Weisensel questioned the scheduling of the project and the actual dates are yet to be determined, however North Wind expects to be coming back to Council in the next six months for additional phases. The grading for the first phase will begin once the appropriate approvals are achieved with the intent for foundational construction to begin in the spring.

Motion by Mayor Weisensel Second by Council Member Essler

Motion to adopt an ordinance approving a zoning map amendment to rezone the subject property from B-2 Employment to B-2 PUD Employment Planned Unit Development

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion by Freske Second by Klimpel

Motion to adopt a resolution approving the North Wind Addition Preliminary and Final Plats, subject to conditions.

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion by Essler **Second by** Weisensel

Motion to adopt a resolution approving a Planned Unit Development Master Development Plan with rezoning of the site from B-2 Employment to B-2 PUD Employment Planned Unit Development, subject to conditions

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Motion by Klimpel **Second by** Freske

Motion to Approve the Planned Unit Development Master Development Plan Agreement for North Wind and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into the agreement.

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion Carried.

b. Selection of Construction Manager at Risk - Indoor Ice

Parks and Recreation Director, Schultz, submitted a request for qualifications proposal for Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) services to construct a two-sheet ice complex. The proposal was sent to 7 firms and the city received 3 submittals. Each of the proposals included detailed information about project staffing, past experiences, pricing and references.

After reviewing the proposals, interviewing and pricing provided by the firms, staff is recommending the City Council hire RJM Construction to be the Construction Manager at Risk for the indoor rink project and to enter into a standard AIA agreement. RJM is just coming off rink projects in Northfield and Maple Grove and staff feels that they would be the best fit for our project at this time.

Councilmember Freske questioned what residents can expect next. Mr. Schultz stated staff will prepare to educate the public in the near future regarding the ice complex as well as set up open houses to learn more about all the park projects.

Motion by Freske **Second by** Essler

Motion to recommend the City Council hire RJM Construction to be the Construction Manager at Risk for the indoor rink project and to enter into a standard AIA agreement as approved by the City's Attorney.

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. City Staff Updates

Public Works Director, Egger, shared the Connemera and Akron roundabout is near completion and staff is very pleased with the project being completed in a quick turnaround.

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 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Fasbender

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City Clerk