

**ROSEMOUNT PORT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING PROCEEDINGS
OCTOBER 19, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting of the Rosemount Port Authority meeting held on October 19, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 2875 145th Street West.

Chair Freske called the meeting to order with Port Authority Commissioners Droste, Ober, Weisensel, Block and Wolf in attendance. Commissioner Essler was absent. Staff present included Executive Director Martin, Deputy Director Kienberger, Economic Development Coordinator Van Oss.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

Motion by Weisensel **Second** by Block

Motion to Adopt the Agenda.

Ayes: 6.

Nays: 0. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Wolf **Second** by Droste

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda

a. Approval of the September 21, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes

Ayes: Weisensel, Block, Ober, Freske, Droste, Wolf

Nays: 0. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

4.a. Project Updates

Economic Development Coordinator Eric Van Oss briefly noted a few project updates; Morrison had an open house last week and open for renters in mid-November.

Omni Brewery & Tap Society site plans and conditional use permit were approved in September. Omni Brewery anticipates having building permit submitted end of November and Tap Society building plans should arrive around the same time.

Other project updates; grading has begun for Summit Dental at Merchants Bank's site, Downtown BP Gas is undergoing exterior renovation, Las Tortillas still plans to proceed with adding a patio, staff met with a national retailer looking for a building near Highway 3, staff continues to work with a developer interested in developing luxury townhomes; staff noted a neighborhood meeting would take place prior to any planning commission action.

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NEW BUSINESS

5.a. Strategic Plan and Goals Mid-Year Update

Economic Development Coordinator Eric Van Oss outlined the strategic goals and actions for 2021 City Council goal session. Mr. Van Oss recapped the Economic Development objects that are outlined under the “Growing Rosemount” section. Staff is on track to meet all the broad sections.

Commissioner Droste commented staff should continue to have a goal on housing cross referenced with Rosemount businesses; i.e. higher density housing to meet the lower hourly rate workers.

Chairperson Freske suggested having a “workforce” item on a future agenda as a lot of businesses are struggling to find employees.

Commissioner Weisensel requested staff to review what certain businesses can Rosemount attract to make Rosemount different and try to drive those businesses.

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

The workforce topic will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

The open to business quarterly update will be included in packet next month.

REPORTS FROM PORT AUTHORITY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Wolf noted his appreciation of the work and impressed with the work done by staff to achieve Port Authority’s goals.

Commissioner Ober mentioned childcare is still an issue as people continue to go back to work; i.e. not available or people are unable to afford the care.

COMMUNITY/AUDIENCE RECOGNITION

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Port Authority and upon a motion the meeting by Block and a second by Weisensel was unanimously adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erin Fasbender", written in a cursive style.

Erin Fasbender
City Clerk