

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a work session of the Rosemount City Council was held on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 at 5:00 pm at Rosemount City Hall, Council Chambers, 2875 145th Street West.

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

DISCUSSION

2.a. PW PD Campus Project Update

City Administrator Martin introduced the design team; BKV, Oertel Architects, along with construction manager Kraus-Anderson. Also present was Doug Green from Baker Tilly.

The design group presented the design of the project and general features of the building. The project budget is approximately \$59 million. Mr. Doug Green of Baker Tilly discussed financial impacts and the options on how to proceed financially. Doug explained municipal bonds and presented different payment options and further discussed the tax impact for each option.

Councilmembers discussed the efficiencies on doing two large projects at once, similar projects completed for comparison, and the positive feedback received thus far from the residents. Councilmembers agreed the best option would be to use a portion of CIP funds to reduce the impact to taxpayers in the first few years. Councilmembers have time to determine how to structure the bonding and decide which scenario is best suited for all. Councilmembers noted it would be ideal to see the outcome of the school referendum in May before making a final decision on the structure for the financing.

Baker Tilly will provide a benchmark to Rosemount in comparison to other cities regarding debt ratios. Mayor Weisensel requested to see how the future large projects that are coming in will impact tax rolls.

The City Council will be asked to authorize the pursuit of bids for the project at its regular meeting. Two bid packages are anticipated over the next few months. Once all bids have been received, Kraus Anderson will confirm the bids and vet the bidders. The cumulative bid package will be presented to the City Council for authorization, which will be a critical step in the project's progression.

2.b. Authorization of 2023-2024 Legislative Priorities

City Administrator Martin presented the priorities and council will act on this item at the regular meeting tonight.

2. c. Goal Setting Discussion

City Administrator Martin presented each department's priorities for the year. Department Heads were present to further elaborate on the items. A special goal setting meeting will take place on March 7th where these items will further be discussed.

Motion by Weisensel **Second by** Klimpel

Motion to recess (6:46 p.m.) to the conference room after the regular meeting

Mayor Weisensel called the meeting back to order at 8:16 p.m.

2.d. 2023 Street Improvement Project Scope, Utility Connection Policy & Financing

Public Works Director Egger presented the project scope of the 2023 Street Improvement Project as the project is unique compared to many that the City has completed in recent years as part of the project is to extend municipal utility systems into a neighborhood that is not currently served.

Neighborhood residents, Ted McMenemy and Dean Jacobson were present to voice their thoughts regarding the project. McMenemy requests to not have the project go past his property, 12780 Bacardi Avenue. Mr. Jacobson, 12870 Bacardi Avenue, had questions regarding the trail placement and the grading.

Councilmember Essler questioned the City's process for testing septic systems and Councilmembers requested more information regarding the number of properties impacted, inspection records and how other cities handle this process.

Staff also discussed the opportunity to update the current ordinance to shorten the time from 10 years back to 2 years for residents to connect to municipal systems. Councilmembers agreed this project is unique and questioned if there is any funding or grants available for this project. Since the project is unique, councilmembers agreed the current assessment rate and policy is extreme and staff should explore options with legal and financing as the preliminary assessment is \$17,768 per property owner.

UPDATES

4.a. Project Updates

i. Parks & Recreation

Parks & Recreation Director Schultz presented the proposed park plans for Amber Fields. The developer will submit a detailed cost estimate for all park projects that the City agrees to have the developer build and that they will receive parks dedication credit for.

Councilmembers discussed adding music toys to the playgrounds, need for security cameras, fiber optic and having charging stations available.

ii. Community Development

Community Development Director discussed upcoming Planning Commission meetings.

5.a. Staff Reports

i. Upcoming Council Events

Staff and council discussed upcoming council events.

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ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Weisensel, second by Essler the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 10:03 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erin Fasbender". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "E".

Erin Fasbender
City Clerk