

**ROSEMOUNT CITY COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION PROCEEDINGS  
August 1, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a special work session of the Rosemount City Council was held on Monday, August 1, 2022 at 5:00 pm at Rosemount City Hall, Council Chambers, 2875 145<sup>th</sup> Street West.

Mayor Droste called the meeting to order with Councilmember Weisensel, Block and Freske. Councilmember Essler was absent.

Staff present included City Administrator Martin, Public Works Director Egger, Finance Director Malecha, Parks & Recreation Director Schultz, Chief of Police Dahlstrom and Community Development Director Kienberger.

Guests present Mark Enochs, member of Rosemount Community Band

**DISCUSSION**

**2.a. Preliminary 2023 Budget Review**

City Administrator Martin provided an overview of the latest updates made to the 2023 draft budget based on discussion that took place at the July work session. Mr. Martin presented the notable changes in each departmental budget.

Councilmembers questioned whether providing surveys are a possibility for certain city services to measure customer service satisfaction.

Chief of Police Dahlstrom further elaborated on the need for additional officers in order to meet the recommended number of officers needed on average based on population. Based on staff's projection of growth, the police department would need to add one police officer per year in order to be at average.

Councilmember Weisensel questioned if there were technology solutions available to assist with officers' time; i.e. write reports in car, live cameras, rebate for residents to install a ring camera to assist officers, etc.

Rather than coming back to council each year to request additional staffing, staff will develop a plan that based on population size a certain number of staff members are required.

Currently, the only item not clear within the budget is health insurance. Staff trusts that the City will receive a good response from Gallagher in the coming months. Councilmembers agreed they are comfortable with the current 2023 budget to set the "ceiling" at the September regular meeting.

**2.b. Review Rosemount National Guard Armory Remodel**

Director of Parks & Recreation, Schultz, presented the proposed National Guard Armory remodel design that is to occur in a few years.

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The remodel includes several improvements that will impact the Rosemount Community Center space wise and financially. Representatives from the NG recently sent staff information regarding what items the NG would like the City to cost share; estimating \$6.2 million.

Mark Enochs of Rosemount Community Band was present and expressed his gratitude for utilizing the space within Rosemount Community Center for the band and had proposed suggestions on improvements to be made to the Auditorium when concerts are held there, i.e. increase the stage into the audience slightly.

Staff will continue to meet monthly to learn more and review the options available for the City. Councilmembers recommended bringing this proposal to those who are running for office to see if there would be funding available for the project as the current proposal will have a significant impact on the budget.

**2.c. Review Bonaire Path Feasibility Study**

Director of Parks & Recreation, Schultz, presented the recent feasibility study that was completed for installing a trail along a small section of Bonaire Path (Bacardi Ave to Auburn Path). The study was completed after receiving a \$15,000 Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP) Grant from Dakota County.

Mr. Schultz presented the 3 different options available as show in the packet. Council is in favor of option A and should the prices significantly change, council is okay with option C.

**UPDATES**

**3.a. Project Updates**

**i. Community Development**

Community Development Director Kienberger updated council on recent planning commission approvals that are forthcoming for council approval. Also discussed the Comprehensive Guide Plan Amendment and a major amendment to the Prestwick Place Planned Unit Development that was on the July planning commission agenda in order to facilitate realistic development of those parcels. Council tabled the discussion until after the regular council meeting this evening.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon a motion by Droste, second by Block the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:56 pm. to the City Council regular meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Droste called the meeting to order at 7:18 P.M.

**3.a.i. Community Development**

Councilmembers continued to discuss the amendment. Items discussed; the height of the building, the original plan for development and neighborhood concerns.

Councilmembers are not in favor of additional housing on the east side of Akron where the proposed Lifetime is to be located. Council is requesting additional information from the developer

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which will be included in the recommendation for the amendment that will be on the August 16<sup>th</sup> council agenda.

**3.b. Staff Reports**

**i. Upcoming Council Events**

Councilmembers shared positive feedback regarding Leprechaun Days. Councilmember Freske stated there will be a follow up meeting to already start planning for 2023. One item that will need to be solved is Central Park needs Wi-Fi.

Councilmember Weisensel shared handouts from a recent League of MN Cities conference he attended.

Councilmember Freske suggested sharing a list of what our current housing inventory list is at in a quarterly newsletter.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon a motion by Droste, second by Freske the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Erin Fasbender  
City Clerk