City of
ROSEVILLE
Minnesota, USA

Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
City Hall Council Chambers, 2660 Civic Center Drive
Monday, July 22, 2024

1. Roll Call
Acting Mayor Groff called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. Voting and Seating Order: Strahan, Etten, Schroeder, and Groff. City Manager Patrick Trudgeon and City Attorney Rachel Tierney were also present. Mayor Roe was absent.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approve Agenda
City Manager Trudgeon requested the removal of Item 7D (Consider Massage Establishment License for Broomall JAB LLC) due to the owner withdrawing their application.

Schroeder moved, Etten seconded, approval of the agenda as amended.

Roll Call
Ayes: Strahan, Etten, Schroeder, and Groff.
Nays: None.

4. Public Comment
Acting Mayor Groff called for public comment by members of the audience on any non-agenda items. No one appeared to speak.

5. Recognitions, Donations, and Communications
a. 74th Commemoration of Karen Martyrs' Day – August 12, 2024

Acting Mayor Groff read the 74th Commemoration of Karen Martyr's Day of August 12, 2024, Proclamation.

Strahan moved, Schroeder seconded, proclaiming August 12, 2024, the 74th Commemoration of Karen Martyr's Day.

Roll Call
Ayes: Strahan, Etten, Schroeder, and Groff.
Nays: None.

6. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda
None.

7. Business Items

a. **Public Hearing to Consider Approving the Transfer of an Off-Sale Liquor License for Spirits and More, LLC (dba) MGM Wine & Spirits**

City Manager Patrick Trudgeon briefly highlighted this item as detailed in the Request For Council Action and related attachments dated July 22, 2024.

Acting Mayor Groff reviewed public hearing protocol and opened and closed the public hearing at approximately 6:08 p.m. to receive public input on the above-referenced Off Sale Liquor License; with no one appearing for or against.

Etten moved, Schroeder seconded, approval of the liquor license for Spirits and More, LLC (dba) MGM Wine & Spirits.

Councilmember Strahan asked if the business has had any violations in the last three years on their liquor license with the previous owner.

Mr. Trudgeon indicated he could not state with certainty but he could not recall that there was any within the last three years. He noted he would check on that before issuing the license.

Roll Call

Ayes: Strahan, Etten, Schroeder, and Groff.
Nays: None.

b. **Consider a Request to Perform an Abatement for Unresolved Violations of City Code at 182 McCarrons Blvd S.**

Building Official David Englund summarized the request as detailed in the Request For Council Action.

Councilmember Etten asked how many vehicles are in violation on this property.

Mr. Englund indicated there were at least six that were inoperable and unlicensed.

Councilmember Etten asked if the City has gone to the extent of asking the owner to start any of the vehicles or if this was just a registration issue at this point.

Mr. Englund explained this deals with registration, plates, flat tires and some of the vehicles supplied in the Council packet are unavailable for use due to there not being any room in the vehicles and being used as mobile storage containers. He showed photos of the vehicles.

Councilmember Etten noticed there is a three hundred fifty-dollar administration fine but no fine for towing the vehicles and asked if that is because the towing company will end up charging the owners.

Mr. Englund indicated that was correct. The City bears no cost for the removal of the vehicles.

Etten moved, Schroeder seconded, directing Community Development staff to abate the public nuisance violation at 182 McCarrons Boulevard S., by notifying a towing company to remove the unlicensed and/or inoperable vehicle from the property on August 2, 2024.

Roll Call
Ayes: Strahan, Etten, Schroeder, and Groff.
Nays: None.

c. **Consider a Request to Perform an Abatement for Unresolved Violations of City Code at 1780 Centennial Dr.**
Building Official David Englund summarized the request as detailed in the Request For Council Action.

Councilmember Etten asked if this was a property that staff had to visit for violations in the past.

Mr. Englund indicated this was the first one in several years. He believed the last violation was in 2013. He noted this is a twin home property and he did speak to the neighboring property owner to find out if they were the result of the attempt at cutting part of the grass. The neighbor was trying to be helpful and cut the grass until their mower broke due to the excess grass on site.

Councilmember Strahan asked if the grass abatement has been taken care of to this point.

Mr. Englund indicated it has been cut on July 8, 2024, and the property owner was invoiced for that. If not paid within thirty days, the City will move forward with certification to his property tax for the invoice due.

Strahan moved, Schroeder seconded, directing Community Development staff to abate the public nuisance violation at 1780 Centennial Drive, by notifying a towing company to remove the unlicensed and/or inoperable vehicle from the property on August 2, 2024.

Roll Call
Ayes: Strahan, Etten, Schroeder, and Groff.
Nays: None.

d. **Consider Massage Establishment License for Broomall JAB LLC**
This item was removed from the meeting agenda.

e. **Public Works, Environment, and Transportation Commission Joint Meeting with the City Council**

Public Works Director Jesse Freihammer briefly highlighted this item as detailed in the Request For Council Action and related attachments dated July 22, 2024.

PWETC Commissioners at the meeting: Commissioners Allison Luongo, Ed Hodder, Sarah Rudolph, Daniel Fergus, Student Commissioner Carson Bauer, and Chair Bryant Ficek.

Each Commissioner introduced themselves to the City Council and explained what they liked about being on the PWETC Commission.

Chair Ficek read a note from Commissioner Des Mueller who was not able to make the meeting.

Chair Ficek explained what he appreciated about this exercise was how much the comments were similar across the board. Valuing the input, being a part of the community, and being able to go back and talk to his neighbors about things that are going on in the City.

Councilmember Schroeder stated she was happy to hear the positive comments being made and that the Commission feels this is making a difference and that is exactly what she wants to hear from the City's Commissions.

Acting Mayor Groff indicated he agreed with Chair Ficek that it is important to share with the neighbors what is going on. He indicated the Council also does that and feels it is important to get the word out about what is happening in the City.

Chair Ficek updated the City Council on the PWETC work plan. He noted the Commission would like to review the speed limit discussion again and wondered what position the City Council had regarding that. He also indicated the Commission had an interest in working with other City Commissions because there are a lot of overlapping topics.

Acting Mayor Groff asked the Council if there were any recommendations on how the PWETC could collaborate better with other Commissions. He thought the Council had talked about this before but was not sure if there was a process in place.

Councilmember Strahan thought the Council discussed the possibility of the Commission Chairs having some time together to figure out where that intersection is. She felt like either the Chairs could have an opportunity to connect or the department heads who are involved could bring forward that opportunity.

Councilmember Etten thought at some level there were columns of work that made sense to blend the Commissions. He liked the idea that Chairs could meet, even once a year, to find out what could be worked on together. He thought it was also hard to ask Commissioners for extra meetings and time. He also thought it was something that staff could work on together.

Councilmember Schroeder concurred that the Chairs would be a good place to start. She would almost take it a step further and once the Commissions come up with their agendas for the year the Chairs would all get together and compare them and see where there might be some overlap on some of the topics. She also thought there could also be sub-committees. She indicated the City is going to be going through some strategic planning and going through some long-term planning. She would like to see the City get through that and see what priorities result from that to figure out some other projects coming through.

Acting Mayor Groff concurred on all that was stated by the Council.

Councilmember Strahan explained she remains interested in looking at the City speed limits because St. Paul and Minneapolis have instituted lower speed limits and Roseville is adjacent to both of them which can be hard at times. She indicated the City has many limitations with State and County roads within the City as well which may be the ending point on that and may be hard to do anything. Other things she would find interesting and agreed with what Councilmember Schroeder stated about following the City's aspirations, but she would like to see how more public charging stations as part of the City's infrastructure could be. She thought there was a need for them as she had been traveling to Chicago and New York and saw many new bike lane innovations for safety. She appreciated the bike study but hoped that the City would think creatively and not just put more of the same things on the road as before. She noted she was disappointed with the reconstruction of Roselawn because nothing changed with the traffic pattern. She appreciated that the Commission continues to be involved and a part of the walking connectivity and the paths.

Chair Ficek reviewed Less Mow May and the clean-up in June with an education piece.

Councilmember Strahan thought, regarding Less Mow May, that the City should pause and take another look at the history and science behind it. She noted the study was in a different climate where that climate emulation would be in August in Minnesota when people do not mow much due to the hot weather and less rainfall. She thought the City might want to review this further and make sure that it is the best for the environment and serves a purpose.

Councilmember Schroeder concurred and indicated she has done some research on this and encouraged the Commission to do some research as well.

The City Council thanked the PWETC for all their hard work.

f. Recycling Cart Request for Quote Responses

Environmental Manager Ryan Johnson briefly highlighted this item as detailed in the Request For Council Action and related attachments dated July 22, 2024.

Public Works Director Jesse Freihammer was also at the meeting for this topic.

Councilmember Schroeder thanked City staff for the presentation. She thought choosing the higher price vendor was a concern at first because the city is using taxpayer money, but can justify it because the vendor added 2 years additional warranty. She was concerned about what was in the company profile because it was a little vague when looking at it. She read the profile to be a capability rather than a company profile, which helped her. The value-added piece was also a little vague in the packet, but she did get an answer for that as well.

Councilmember Etten agreed and appreciated the staff's quick response to all his questions. He thought the twelve-year warranty offered by the preferred vendor was added value for the City and he was supportive of staff recommendations.

Public Comment

Acting Mayor Groff offered an opportunity for public comment with no one coming forward.

Councilmember Strahan indicated regarding the logo; she likes the rose but is not sure two colors are needed. She would assume that is more expensive. She does like that it says "property of" because she thinks it is easy for people to forget that this is not their cart.

The Council agreed that the rose should be used because it is a part of the City's identity but multi-color would not be needed.

Etten moved, Strahan seconded, approving the quotes and authorizing staff to negotiate a final contract with Toter, LLC to purchase their Toter EVRII Carts.

Roll Call

Ayes: Strahan, Etten, Schroeder, and Groff.
Nays: None

g. 2024 Recycling Request for Proposals (RFP)

Environmental Manager Ryan Johnson briefly highlighted this item as detailed in the Request For Council Action and related attachments dated July 22, 2024.

Councilmember Schroeder indicated she would like to see more of the project capability piece because this is how the company is performing. She thought it needed to have a little more weight. When she looked at the community values, she looked at the equity and inclusion part as a part of the City's community values, and having that total show as twenty percent is a good number. She thought staff should change the project capability to thirty percent and the community value to twenty percent. She noted this type of contract is really about how much it is going to cost and will the company get the work done.

Councilmember Strahan echoed support for Councilmember Schroeder's reallocation.

Councilmember Etten concurred with what was said. He wondered if the actual contract for the cart purchase was in the packet.

Mr. Freihammer indicated it was not in the packet and City staff will bring that back for approval in a few months.

Mr. Johnson reviewed the timeline for purchasing the carts after approval of the recycling company.

Councilmember Etten indicated he wants to hold off on the cart purchasing until the Council sees the bids from the recycling companies with both options of purchasing the carts and the recycling companies providing the carts because, in the long run, one might be cheaper than the other.

Councilmember Schroeder indicated she would support that as well.

Public Comment

Acting Mayor Groff offered an opportunity for public comment with no one coming forward.

Strahan moved, Etten seconded, authorizing staff to release the RFP for advertisement with adjustments and amendments discussed.

Council Discussion

Councilmember Etten indicated City staff has been very flexible and he thanked them for all of the work done on this.

Roll Call
Ayes: Strahan, Etten, Schroeder, and Groff.
Nays: None

h. Consider Approval of Sales Tax Referendum Ballot Questions

City Manager Patrick Trudgeon briefly highlighted this item as detailed in the Request For Council Action and related attachments dated July 22, 2024.

Public Comment

Acting Mayor Groff offered an opportunity for public comment with no one coming forward.

Schroeder moved, Etten seconded, adoption of Resolution No.12078 (Attachment 1) entitled, "Resolution Adopting the Ballot Language, Including the Title and Question, Pertaining to the Implementation of a One-Half of One Percent Sales and Use Tax for a Public Works and Parks Operations Facility and a License and Passport Center."

Roll Call
Ayes: Strahan, Etten, Schroeder, and Groff.
Nays: None

8. Council Direction on Councilmember Initiated Agenda Items

9. Approve Minutes

10. Approve Consent Agenda

At the request of Acting Mayor Groff, City Manager Trudgeon briefly reviewed those items being considered under the Consent Agenda; and as detailed in specific Requests for Council Action dated July 22, 2024, and related attachments.

Schroeder moved, Strahan seconded, approval of the Consent Agenda including claims and payments as presented and detailed.

Roll Call
Ayes: Strahan, Etten, Schroeder, and Groff.
Nays: None.

a. Approve Payments

ACH Payments	$712,627.32
110031-110112	799,891.16
TOTAL	**$1,512,518.48**

b. Approve 1 Temporary Gambling License, 1 THC Retail License, and 1 Cigarette/Tobacco Products License

c. Receive City Grant Applications Update

d. Approve Resolution of Approval of Letter of Concurrence for Watershed District Boundary Change/Adjustment

e. Approve the Short-Term Rental License for 658 Belmont Ln

- **f. Consider Approval of a Grant Application for 2024-2025 Crisis Response Grant Funds through the Minnesota Office of Justice**
- **g. Approve Revocation of Massage Establishment License for Anna's Healing Massage and Massage Therapist License of Ann Vang**
- **h. Accept the State of Minnesota 2024 Pathways to Policing Grant Award Amendment**

11. Future Agenda Review, Communications, Reports, and Announcements – Council and City Manager

City Manager Patrick Trudgeon reviewed the August 5, 2024, City Council meeting, August 15 or 16 (TBD), 2024, City Council meeting, the August 19, 2024, City Council meeting, the August 20, 2024, Joint Meeting with Roseville School Board, August 21 and 22 (Tentative), 2024, City Council meeting, and the September 9, 2024, City Council meeting.

12. Adjourn

Schroeder moved, Strahan seconded, adjournment of the meeting at approximately 8:01 p.m.

Roll Call

Ayes: Strahan, Etten, Schroeder, and Groff.
Nays: None.

Wayne Groff

Wayne Groff, Acting Mayor

ATTEST:

Patrick J. Trudgeon, City Manager