



**Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
City Hall Council Chambers, 2660 Civic Center Drive
Monday, June 20, 2016**

1. Roll Call

Mayor Roe called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. Voting and Seating Order: Willmus, Laliberte, Etten, McGehee, and Roe. City Manager Patrick Trudgeon and City Attorney Mark Gaughan were also present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approve Agenda

City Manager Trudgeon requested removal of Item 8.f from the Consent Agenda for separate consideration and a substitute resolution provided as a bench handout.

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

Roll Call

Ayes: Willmus, Laliberte, Etten, McGehee, and Roe.

Nays: None.

4. Public Comment

Mayor Roe called for public comment by members of the audience on any non-agenda items.

a. Abigail Gadea

Ms. Gadea noted she had applied for an advisory commission vacancy, but had unfortunately been out of the country at the time scheduled for interviews.

There-fore, Ms. Gadea noted she had reached out to individual Councilmembers upon her return; and was appearing tonight before the City Council to make herself available for any questions of the group. Ms. Gadea stated her continued interest in a position.

Mayor Roe welcomed Ms. Gadea and confirmed that she was still interested in a position on either the Human Rights or Community Engagement Commission; to which Ms. Gadea responded affirmatively, with her first choice being the Human Rights Commission.

Councilmember Willmus opined that Ms. Gadea's application was very solid; and asked if she were not appointed to a vacancy tonight, strongly encouraged her to apply again for any future vacancies.

Mayor Roe noted that it was customary for city staff to notify previous candidates of any future vacancies when they occur; and thanked Ms. Gadea for being present at tonight's meeting.

b. Lajos J. Miho, 2053 Brenner Avenue

Mr. Miho reported that he had received notice of code violation for a two-axle trailer parked at his residence. Mr. Miho noted the trailer had been parked at his address for some time, and he was just now being notified it was in violation of city code; but assured the City Council that as a 100% disabled veteran, the trailer was used for personal versus commercial use.

Mayor Roe advised Mr. Miho that he was not alone in receiving such a city code violation notice, with the characteristics of these trailers falling into the dual axle category. Mayor Roe advised Mr. Miho that the City Council may revisit that issue shortly to provide more guidance to staff in regulating these situations.

Councilmember Willmus suggested suspending further staff action on this type of trailer until the city had an opportunity to redefine the issue. Councilmember Willmus reported that he had submitted several questions to staff on how trailers were classified; and admitted he found dual axle categories questionable as they related to commercial versus personal uses.

City Manager Trudgeon advised that staff would stay any further action on these pending violations at this time until further City Council direction was given.

5. Council and City Manager Communications, Reports, and Announcements

Mayor Roe announced upcoming Rosefest activities and events, and availability of free "I Am Roseville" buttons; and a Youth Commissioner vacancy on the Parks & Recreation Commission with an application deadline of July 15, 2016.

Mayor Roe announced a meeting of the Roseville Economic Development Authority on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers and a brief summary of the meeting agenda. Mayor Roe announced an upcoming Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT)-hosted open house regarding a proposed I-35W noise wall that will affect a small portion of Roseville on the west side at one point adjacent to the Twin Lakes Redevelopment Area between County Roads C and D on the east side of the freeway only. Mayor Roe also announced an upcoming Playground Build opportunities, the next on July 9, 2016 at Mapleview Park with supervision for volunteers interested in helping out.

Councilmember Etten reported on his attendance last week of a portion of the annual League of Minnesota Cities (LMC) conference in St. Paul, MN; and sessions he attended focusing on online civic engagement; multi-generational cities and efforts of communities in revamping their housing stock to accommodate aging in place; and climate change and green steps efforts. Councilmember Etten reported it was informative and provided for a good learning and networking opportunity.

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As a member of the Board for the North Suburban Communications Commission, Mayor Roe reported on negotiations for a settlement with Comcast on their franchise agreement, stating he was finding the latest progress encouraging; but would share further details as they became available.

City Manager Trudgeon also reported on his one day available to attend the annual LMC conference, attending a workshop on racial equity in delivery of local services. Mr. Trudgeon advised that his take away had been that people may not feel empowered due to language barriers, a lack of trust in government, or due to long-term problems, with those issues able to be addressed through more contact in those neighborhoods and familiarity among neighbors and city staff. Mr. Trudgeon noted the city's Neighborhood Enhancement Program (NEP) as a successful example of such staff contact and involvement.

City Manager Trudgeon presented Mayor Roe with a Green Step City Certificate that had been given to the city at the LMC conference.

As part of upcoming Rosefest events, City Manager Trudgeon highlighted the Taste of Rosefest sponsored in part by the Rotary Club and City of Roseville, its location and availability of tickets through him, online, at City Hall, at other locations, or at the event itself.

Councilmember McGehee asked Councilmember Etten to elaborate on discussions at the LMC conference on climate change and preparedness by other communities.

Councilmember Etten advised that the focus was mostly on bigger cities (e.g. Burnsville and Minneapolis, MN) with those cities taking leadership of climate issues from their perspective rather than waiting for coordination of national or international efforts to get things done. Councilmember Etten suggested the upcoming comprehensive plan process would be a good opportunity for the City of Roseville to take such an initiative as a starting point.

6. Recognitions, Donations and Communications

7. Approve Minutes

Comments and corrections to draft minutes had been submitted by the City Council prior to tonight's meeting and those revisions were incorporated into the draft presented in the Council packet.

a. Approve June 13, 2016 City Council Meeting Minutes

McGehee moved, Etten seconded, approval of the June 13, 2016 City Council Meeting Minutes as amended.

Additional Corrections:

Councilmember McGehee submitted her suggested changes dated June 20, 2016 via bench handout, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

- **Page 2, Lines 6 - 11 (Etten)**
Correct spelling of speaker's name: Brad Kolland
- **Page 3, Line 15 (Laliberte)**
Typographical correction: "...pay"
- **Page 10, Lines 16 – 23 (Laliberte)**
Correct to read "Zero Cleveland Avenue" in all instances
- **Page 11, Line 19 (Laliberte)**
Typographical correction: Change "greed" to "agreed"
- **Page 15, Line 37 (Willmus)**
Typographical correction: Change 'Chair Becker' to "Chair Newby"
- **Page 16, Line 1 (Laliberte)**
Typographical correction: "Delete "in" before "...important in a certain area..."

Roll Call

Ayes: Willmus, Laliberte, Etten, McGehee, and Roe.
Nays: None.

8. Approve Consent Agenda

At the request of Mayor Roe, City Manager Trudgeon briefly reviewed those items being considered under the Consent Agenda; and as detailed in specific Requests for Council Action (RCA) and related attachments, June 20, 2016.

a. Approve Payments

McGehee moved, Etten seconded, approval of the following claims and payments as presented and detailed.

ACH Payments	\$591,852.99
81763 - 81876	620,310.03
TOTAL	\$1,212,163.02

Roll Call

Ayes: Laliberte, McGehee, Willmus, Etten and Roe.
Nays: None.

b. Approval of 2016-2017 Business and Other License Renewals

McGehee moved, Etten seconded, approval of annual business and other license renewals as detailed, dependent on successful background checks.

Roll Call

Ayes: Laliberte, McGehee, Willmus, Etten and Roe.
Nays: None.

- c. **Approve Business & Other Licenses**
McGehee moved, Etten seconded, approval of business and other licenses and permits for terms as noted, dependent on successful background checks.

Roll Call

Ayes: Laliberte, McGehee, Willmus, Etten and Roe.

Nays: None.

- d. **Approve General Purchases in Excess of \$5,000 and Sale of Surplus Items**
McGehee moved, Etten seconded, approval of general purchases and contracts for services as noted in the RCA dated June 20, 2016, and Attachment A entitled, "2016 Capital Improvement Plan Summary," dated May 31, 2016.

Roll Call

Ayes: Laliberte, McGehee, Willmus, Etten and Roe.

Nays: None.

- e. **Accept Donation from the Roseville Police Foundation**
McGehee moved, Etten seconded, approval to accept the donation of the Roseville Police Foundation as detailed.

Roll Call

Ayes: Laliberte, McGehee, Willmus, Etten and Roe.

Nays: None.

Councilmembers Laliberte and Etten expressed the city's thanks to this recently-formed foundation and the initiatives they've already put forth.

- g. **Termination of Planned Unit Development (PUD) Agreement 1385, approved by the Roseville City Council on July 13, 2009**
McGehee moved, Etten seconded, adopted Resolution No. 11332 (Attachment A) entitled, "A Resolution Terminating Planned Unit Development (PUD) Agreement No. 1385, As Amended, Located at 2167 Lexington Avenue and 1126 Sandhurst Avenue."

Roll Call

Ayes: Laliberte, McGehee, Willmus, Etten and Roe.

Nays: None.

9. **Consider Items Removed from Consent**

- f. **Request by Cities Edge Architects for an Extension to the Final Approval of Amended Common Interest Community Plat at 2715 Long Lake Road (PF15-005)**

At the request of Mayor Roe, City Manager Trudgeon briefly reviewed this item as detailed in the RCA and related attachments, June 20, 2016. Mr. Trudgeon reviewed the changes, after consultation with City Attorney Gaughan, incorporated into the revised attachment A, distributed as a bench handout.

McGehee moved, Etten seconded, adopted Resolution No. 11333 (*Attachment A, as revised*) entitled, "A Resolution Approving a Six Month Extension to the Rosedale Corporate Plaza Condominium (Condominium No. 266) Modification, A Common Interest Community (CIC) Plat Approval (PF15-005)."

Roll Call

Ayes: Laliberte, McGehee, Willmus, Etten and Roe.

Nays: None.

10. General Ordinances for Adoption

a. Private Hydrant & Sump Pump Ordinance Update

Assistant Public Works Director Jesse Freihammer reviewed updates for two sections of Title 8, Public Works of Roseville City Code, Chapter 801 and (Private Hydrants) and Chapter 802 (Sump Pumps); as detailed in the RCA of today's date.

Chapter 801 - Hydrant Ordinance Update

Mr. Freihammer briefly reviewed the proposed ordinance changes related to privately owned hydrants throughout the city; but advised further refinement was occurring and staff would return with another version after further vetting.

Chapter 802 - Sump Pump Ordinance Update

Mr. Freihammer provided a short presentation related to proposed changes in discharge requirements for sump pumps, with visual examples, and specific provisions of the ordinance. Mr. Freihammer noted the intent of the ordinance was to address and rectify current discharges of sump pumps discharging into the sanitary sewer system; advising that no policy was in place at this time. Mr. Freihammer noted that this discharge significantly increased the cost for the city and utility customers in paying the Metropolitan Council for treatment of this additional water that should be discharged at alternate points on private property for infiltration or in the storm sewer system versus the sanitary sewer system.

Mr. Freihammer noted that, during the recent meter installation community-wide had allowed some inspections of sump pump installations and their discharge points; with indications that approximately 11% of Roseville residents were discharging directly into the sanitary sewer system, greatly increasing the overall inflow and infiltration (I & I) identified for reduction/penalty by the Metropolitan Council.

Staff recommends adopting Chapter 802 ordinance, and establishment by the City Council of a fee for noncompliance, reviewed by the City as part of their fee schedule review during the annual budget process.

Councilmember Willmus sought to call attention to the current ordinance phrasing, as per his discussion with Public Works Director Culver, and staff's narrative requiring sump pumps to be terminated "at the property line," and instead suggesting more clarity in ordinance language to ensure that discharge is terminated short of the property line to avoid flowing onto an adjacent property.

Mr. Freihammer agreed that the intent is for discharge within the limits of the subject property making the discharge.

Specific to Chapter 801 (hydrants), Councilmember McGehee noted a typographical error: missing "d" on Item F (line 388); and on page 10, correction of "requires" to past tense "required."

Councilmember McGehee asked about creation of a form; with Mr. Freihammer responding that staff would create a form; and Councilmember McGehee asking that the draft form be included with the draft ordinance with the next iteration coming before the City Council.

Reverting to Chapter 802 (sump pump), Councilmember McGehee asked that language on page 6, line 245 for "reasonable time" be more specific (also lines 240-241) to allow more clarity as to an actual time frame, or more flexibility if a problem can't be corrected during the winter months or for some other reason such as a more involved connection to the city's sanitary sewer system. Councilmember McGehee also noted instances (e.g. Item 2, line 252) where the Public Works Director's title is not consistent and asked that it be corrected throughout the document. Councilmember McGehee also asked for guidelines for when a waiver was applicable, or how/when a permanent solution was required, or instances if and when that waiver went on for perpetuity.

Mr. Freihammer stated that the intent was that a waiver would be granted only for the time needed to bring the sump pump discharge into compliance.

As part of this process, Councilmember McGehee asked if the intent was to ultimately correct a problem versus the comparable current practice of requiring water to run at some residences institutionalizing the current practice every winter due to the sanitary sewer pipes not being installed correctly in those locations.

Mr. Freihammer replied that in certain areas of town, it would prove problematic to get rid of the sump pump discharge, no matter how the property owner and/or city attempted to do so. Mr. Freihammer noted that this may mean discharge con-

tinued to run onto a public sidewalk unless another infrastructure solution could be found.

Regarding Chapter 802 and flushing of private hydrants, Councilmember Willmus asked if staff had any idea for a fee, or the number of private hydrants throughout the community.

Mr. Freihammer advised that judging from other communities with such a fee, their costs are typically \$70 to \$75 per hydrant.

Councilmember Willmus opined that for some townhome associations, that could prove a significant financial hit; and asked that consideration of that point be made part of any future private hydrant ordinance adoption.

Mr. Freihammer advised that staff would look at some of the situations where private hydrants may be grouped together to suggest a corresponding fee.

As a follow-up, Mayor Roe noted that those with private hydrants were not required to use city services for that hydrant flushing, but could use a private service that would certify that periodic maintenance and service compliance.

Building on Councilmember Willmus' comments, Councilmember Laliberte stated her interest in what other cities have for multiple private hydrants or if they provided for any volume considerations at a reduced amount.

Specific to the townhome association component, Councilmember Etten stated his hope that the associations had been diligent in checking those private hydrants with some regularity; opining if he was a resident of such a townhome, he would certainly want to be assured the fire hydrants were operational. Councilmember Etten further stated that those residents should expect that by paying their association dues, they were paying for that knowledge and assurance; and that it should be considered part of doing business for the association.

In reviewing the map of hydrant locations (Attachment E), Councilmember Willmus noted those areas with multiple hydrants and their potential pricing structure, opining that in some cases it could have considerable impacts on association budgets if not included in their annual budgets.

Mayor Roe noted that staff would have recommendations for fees when they bring the ordinance back to the City Council, for consideration at that time.

Mr. Freihammer advised that staff would get that information from contractors; and clarified that whether or not hydrants appeared to be or were clustered, a requirement of state fire code, as well as city code, was that they all be working and flushed annually at a minimum.

Mayor Roe concurred with his colleagues on the suggested revisions to Chapter 801 and typographical corrections and consistency of titles as noted; along with clarifying “reasonable time” as noted and based on city expectations and what is practical and feasible. Mayor Roe stated he was less concerned with that latter point depending on specific situations and without being overly proscriptive. Mayor Roe stated his bigger concern was with the waiver process, opining that it lacked what was provided for in other cases, the right to appeal an administrative action; and asked that staff consider a process to do so at the City Council level or as offered in other applicable situations.

For the benefit of the home audience, Mayor Roe reviewed the rationale in these changes to address current sump pumps discharging into the sanitary sewer system, requiring treatment by the Metropolitan Council and costing the city and all of its utility customers for that treatment versus draining into the normal storm water runoff system or into a resident’s private yard. While some of the I & I may be occurring through leaks, Mayor Roe noted that with the estimated 11% of sump pumps identified that were discharging into the sanitary sewer system, this was a notable portion that was adding to the city’s annual penalty from the Metropolitan Council for that treatment.

Councilmember McGehee agreed with Mayor Roe’s suggestion for an appeal process; but asked that guidelines be provided on how decisions are made from a city perspective.

Mayor Roe stated that could be defined, but allowances were still necessary for general situations yet unknown.

Specific to Chapter 802, Mayor Roe noted on page 5 (the paragraph starting at the top of page 5) the need for more specificity rather than just terminating on private property in general (e.g. concerns for potential drainage on neighbor or adjacent property) but termination on private property on which the sump pump is located. Mayor Roe opined that the language in lines 176 – 178 related to “rigid discharge lines” needed more work to make it less technical and more understandable for the general public.

Without objection, Mayor Roe directed staff to address those revisions as noted during tonight’s discussion, duly noted by Mr. Freihammer and City Manager Trudgeon, and return with a revised draft ordinance and fee schedule for future consideration.

Recess

Mayor Roe recessed the meeting at approximately 6:52 p.m., and reconvened at approximately 6:53 p.m.

11. Presentations

**a. Public Works, Environment and Transportation Commission (PWETC)
Joint Meeting with the City Council**

Mayor Roe welcomed PWETC Commissioners present, including Chair Brian Cihacek; Vice Chair Sarah Brodt Lenz; and Members Joe Wozniak, John Heimerl and Duane Seigler

Chair Cihacek briefly summarized the activities and accomplishments of the PWETC since last meeting with the City Council, as outlined in the RCA of today's date. Chair Cihacek noted the activities seemed to focus mostly on "water, sewer and solar." Chair Cihacek also reviewed intended work plan items for the upcoming year; and then sought questions, concerns and/or feedback from the City Council. The PWETC listed three questions they had of the City Council and as noted in lines 23 – 30 of the RCA and noted as follows.

- 1) Are some rights-of-way and easement areas too large and do they negatively impact private lots and potential improvements of private residences?

Chair Cihacek noted the PWETC's interest in exploring if some existing easement areas or rights-of-way were too large for the current community or no longer reflected current needs.

Councilmember Willmus suggested the PWETC be cautious with that exploration; and as a council member, stated he would have to look very hard at surrendering or vacating any existing rights-of-way or easements. Councilmember Willmus opined that no one knew what the future may hold; and also noted the considerable cost and time-consuming process in attaining new rights-of-way. Specific to easements, as an example Councilmember Willmus noted several situations where an easement affected land locked parcels; and agreed he may give certain situations some consideration. However, Councilmember Willmus reiterated he would be cautious with those considerations before the city started surrendering any of them.

Councilmember Etten agreed with the statements of Councilmember Willmus and the need for caution. As an example, Councilmember Etten noted problematic areas where future issues could be created in areas where a sidewalk could be installed in an easement or right-of-way area. Specific to different widths for rights-of-way or easements, Councilmember Etten noted the most recent example south of County Road B, with one property having a different right-of-way width and allowances needed to find a solution. Councilmember Etten reiterated the need to take care to not create similar long-term problems.

Councilmember McGehee agreed for the need for caution regarding easements; but if the problem was to address drainage issues on a private lot without sufficient room, she offered to consider those situations that were brought

forward. Councilmember McGehee stated that she considered larger rights-of-way as bonus green space throughout the city.

Mayor Roe agreed with his colleagues. While noting there was a process in place for a property owner to ask the city to vacate an easement or right-of-way, Mayor Roe opined that it made sense to consider any such variances on a case by case basis versus the city initiating a policy for vacating them.

- 2) Should the Commission discuss other recycling components, such as providing organics recycling options if curbside pickup isn't a feasible option in our next recycling contract?

Chair Cihacek noted the PWETC's interest in looking at options for organic recycling by the city.

Councilmember Etten stated his interest in looking at ways to provide organic recycling to prevent it from entering the regular waste stream. Specific to expanding recycling efforts in the community, Councilmember Etten asked how much is currently done with the business community or asked if the city was maximizing that opportunity. Councilmember Etten stated he was aware of considerable interest by some business owners in recycling, while others were not aware of the possibility or the process for doing so. As an example, Councilmember Etten noted the interest shown by area churches and their push to be involved in recycling, with the city able to provide that option to them.

From her volunteer work in nursing homes, Councilmember McGehee suggested they should also be approached and encouraged to do a better job, or at least to get more excited about recycling at those facilities.

Councilmember Laliberte stated her interest in learning more about organics, even though it didn't receive a high priority on the most recent community survey. Councilmember Laliberte suggested including regular waste haulers about their interest in pursuing organic recycling, noting some solid waste collectors used the "blue bag" system that residents could include separately for disposal with their weekly refuse pick-up. Depending on whether the city went with bi-weekly or weekly recycling pick-up, Councilmember Laliberte noted that needed to be a consideration as part of any organic recycling options.

Specific to business recycling, Mayor Roe noted a state-wide requirement that may soon be coming forward, if not already in place.

- 3) Does the City Council want to provide more direction on future discussions regarding sewer and water services (e.g. lining private sewer services up to some point)?

Chair Cihacek asked for Council feedback on how to approach this issue.

Councilmember McGehee questioned if the City Council completed discussions about lining stubs; but opined in not doing so it left the city with a faulty program. Councilmember McGehee noted she frequently heard from staff that the biggest infiltration and/or leakage problem was with those laterals and their connections to the city main, and therefore opined it didn't seem like a good idea to reconstruct streets and the mains but not address stubs and laterals at the same time. At a minimum, Councilmember McGehee stated her preference for an informational or educational flyer, such as provided for the leaf collection program options, addressing sewer lining up to the stub. Councilmember McGehee opined it remained problematic under the current situation without homeowners being aware of or required to meet city specifications to avoid negative impacts on the stubs or mains. Organizationally, Councilmember McGehee opined this was an important consideration for the city to address, since private citizens were hooking into a municipal system, and the municipality needed to specify what needed to be done to avoid future negative impacts.

Councilmember Laliberte noted her interest in the recommendations the PWETC had brought forward to-date, especially given the community's aging infrastructure. Councilmember Laliberte stated anything the PWETC could do to help educate the public and provide guidance to them about their responsibilities would be helpful.

Councilmember Willmus sought clarification, with recent water/sewer revisions, if the city had required installation of backflow prevention devices.

Public Works Director Marc Culver responded that, while unfamiliar with building code requirements, the city could require the devices, especially in situations with frequent back-up scenarios. Mr. Culver stated it was rare for the city to require a back flow preventer installation in a particular home; but noted the city had recommended it to individuals, and noted the discussions when considering the warranty program as well.

Mayor Roe noted the city included a subsidy for residents to install a back-flow preventer as part of the recently adopted sewer back-up clean up policy.

From a code enforcement and building code perspective, Interim Community Development Director Kari Collins clarified that the building code had for years required a backflow prevention program, and noted it was included in the city's fee structure as well. However, Ms. Collins noted the city hadn't been aggressive in collecting fees for installation until recently, when the city's new Codes Coordinator had begun reviewing the fee structure and a more up-to-date program for collecting fees. With any plumbing installation,

Ms. Collins noted that the applicant is required to ensure backflow installation occurs at that time; and advised that the fee is approximately \$35 for that installation, which was comparable to other metropolitan communities.

At the request of Councilmember Willmus, Ms. Collins confirmed that the device is required as part of the International Building Code.

If the installation of a backflow device and fee is triggered by plumbing work, Mayor Roe sought clarification as to the amount of that trigger.

Councilmember Willmus clarified that he was looking at the sewer side, while Ms. Collins was looking at the code requirements for the water supply side of the equation.

Mr. Culver offered to double check, but opined he was not aware of specific requirements for installation of a backflow preventer on the sanitary sewer side of the home.

Councilmember Willmus stated his rationale in the request was as a functionary program to limit residential and city liability.

Councilmember McGehee stated it was her understanding that in order to install a backflow preventer, it was necessary to break up a basement floor; and asked for further clarification as to how it actually worked.

For general information, Mayor Roe clarified that most sewer lines had a bypass connection without going through the backflow preventer, allowing for clean-out, as part of common plumbing practices.

Councilmember Willmus clarified that he was talking about new construction situations or for major replacement of laterals between a home and street; and noted he was not advocating forcing all residents to install a backflow device.

Specific to lateral lining, Mayor Roe noted previous discussions had indicated the main work and lateral work required two different contractors and processes. Under those circumstances, Mayor Roe noted the need for policies determined accordingly and how they interfaced with each other. Mayor Roe stated it didn't want to preclude residents from going to a private contractor, but to get standards in place if not already available, so private contractors were aware of the City of Roseville's standards for lining connections at the main.

Transit Accessibility and Service Levels – Review of A Line Operations

Councilmember Etten noted his interest in enhancing east/west connections across the city to provide needed transportation from the north/south transit options al-

lowing them to reach jobs, shop or move more freely. Councilmember Etten noted his understanding that there was a thirty-minute interval for buses scheduled along the Rice Street corridor, which he considered too long and a poor service level for such a major thoroughfare. Councilmember Etten suggested as part of the comprehensive plan update, Metro Transit be asked for potential solutions or additional service.

Mayor Roe agreed with the east/west transit needs; and agreed that the Rice Street corridor was identified as an important segment and more frequent bus service than half hour intervals was needed.

Campus Solar

Councilmember McGehee stated her continuing interested in solar options for the City campus.

Pathway and Bike Path Planning and Connections

According to the recent community survey and questions about pathway connections and safe routes to schools, Councilmember McGehee noted resident interest in pursuing those connections to businesses and parent interest in their children safely connecting to schools. Councilmember McGehee noted there were segments far from the High School that were being considered for connection, but not some obvious once close to the High School; and with no immediate plans for connections or any plan in place for some of those segments.

Specific to pathways, Councilmember Laliberte opined that it was important to look at any connections or segments if and when they become possible.

Mayor Roe noted that in the last Pathway Master Plan rankings, not meaning the PWETC's rankings, now in 2016 a review of those ratings and scores was needed to see if they still made sense from today's use of pathways. Mayor Roe opined that would be a worthwhile effort to look at when ranking, using the Master Plan criteria to see if it still made sense for the city today.

Councilmember Willmus noted the PWETC's predecessors lacked a consistent basis for scoring projects, creating some situations where residents became quite concerned. As an example, Councilmember Willmus noted the rationale in the city stepping forward with widening County Road B west of Cleveland avenue. Councilmember Willmus spoke in support of a review and refreshing of the original Master Plan ranking.

Leaf Disposal Outreach and Education Flyer

Referencing the leaf flyer, Councilmember Laliberte suggested highlighting the private option for "Leaf Vacuum Roseville Minnesota" since it was the most similar to the city's former program. While most of the options have been available to

residents for years, Councilmember Laliberte reiterated her interest in highlighting that particular program.

As mentioned by Councilmember Laliberte, Councilmember Willmus agreed with the private option for "Leaf Vacuum Roseville Minnesota," but also noted the need to be more proactive in encouraging residents to mulch leaves on site or for delivery to the city's compost site. Councilmember Willmus advised this was something he had started about ten years ago, and opined it provided a wonderful option, and suggested calling more attention to that option as well.

Summary of Feedback / City Council Charge to PWETC

Chair Cihacek reviewed the PWETC's informational February 2016 meeting and quest speaker on sewer lining including the pros and cons; and duly noted the City Council's request for the PWETC to review and analyze the two very different bidding processes and contactors for lateral versus main lining; and how options could make lateral lining work for the city and residents.

Chair Cihacek duly noted the City Council's request for the PWETC to identify how to educate about the elimination of the city's leaf pick-up system, including information on mulching and the city's compost site.

Regarding curbside collection of organics, Chair Cihacek noted the PWETC had held preliminary discussions with current recycling contractor Eureka, and opined there was good information available to proceed with recommendations to the City Council, depending on the results of the current contract RFP for recycling services.

Chair Cihacek duly noted the City Council's charge that the PWETC look into business recycling programs and opportunities for them to participate.

Specific to pedestrian infrastructure, pathways and other transit issues, Chair Cihacek advised that the PWETC would pick up and re-examine ranking for connections as part of their part of the comprehensive plan's transportation chapter, both existing needs and looking ahead to future needs.

Specific to many of the things discussed tonight, Chair Cihacek advised that the PWETC were working on most of them and would continue to do so to bring recommendations forward.

Regarding tonight's discussion on easements and rights-of-way, Chair Cihacek stated it wasn't often transparent to citizens whey their rights-of-way and easements were not consistent from one property to another. Chair Cihacek noted the need for review of actual right-of-way maps and the need to identify the rationale in preserving easements or rights-of-way, whether for a specific purpose or for a "just in case" scenario. Chair Cihacek opined that educational portion is im-

portant and part of the transparency efforts of local government; and advised toward that effort, the PWETC would address the issue and provide justification for differentials in various areas. Chair Cihacek noted the concern in some cases was that with fifty or more years of history, residents needed to understand the benefits and costs; especially in light of future development issues.

Councilmember Willmus agreed it was important to define the impact of those easements and rights-of-way for a property or homeowner, especially if they were seeking to expand for a higher use of their property. However, Councilmember Willmus noted there was a variance process in place by which a property owner had some recourse depending on the situation; and again noted the need for a case by case analysis. Councilmember Willmus reiterated his concern about vacating an existing right-of-way already attained without knowing clearly what potential future issues may arise.

Mayor Roe agreed it was necessary to be thoughtful about those situations.

Councilmember McGehee asked that the PWETC's review of easements and rights-of-way include a review of variables in their size from property to property when adjacent versus variables throughout the community.

Chair Cihacek confirmed it was the PWETC's concern more with variability between lots, as some were hard to explain and often there were inconsistencies within a given block.

Councilmember McGehee noted the city's sealcoating program had been on hold for two years due to delamination issues; and sought an update on the situation.

Public Works Director Marc Culver advised that research was ongoing with the delamination issue locally and across the state. While being a firm believer in the benefit of sealcoating, Mr. Culver advised that he was still not comfortable in restarting the sealcoating program until more research is available regarding the interaction between the sealcoat oil and pavement wear coat layer.

Regarding the leaf pick-up flyer, Councilmember Laliberte asked what the schedule was for planned distribution.

Mr. Culver advised that limited distribution had been made available to some extent in a preliminary way last year; but the intent was to include the flyer with utility bills in June, July and August, obviously with revisions as addressed during tonight's meeting, and as a follow-up. Mr. Culver noted a brief article was scheduled for the August *City News* newsletter, with a more extensive newsletter article intended in early fall, including information on mulching.

Mayor Roe asked that staff work with the Communications Department staff to make the flyer more eye-catching. Mayor Roe also suggested production of a

short video, that could be run before or after City Council and/or advisory commission meetings, such as the “Friday video” concept.

Mayor Roe thanked the PWETC for their great work, and their attendance tonight and the beneficial discussion.

12. Public Hearings and Action Consideration

13. Budget Items

a. Continue Discussions on the 2017 Budget

City Manager Trudgeon briefly reviewed the 2017 budget cycle and process as a reminder; noting the City Manager recommended budget was scheduled for presentation in July. Mr. Trudgeon noted the detailed information provided in tonight’s RCA and attachments included supplemental information as previously requested by the City Council to provide a greater understanding of the city’s financial picture and potential budget impacts.

Finance Director Chris Miller referenced and displayed several charts from the RCA (page 1) showing 2016 current and 2017 projected impact items for a typical single-family home in Roseville. Mr. Miller advised that these were intended as an advanced look as per the City Council’s request, and included impacts to the tax levy as well as utility rates; but clarified that it did not include any Roseville Economic Development Authority (REDA) as that information was yet to be determined.

Mr. Miller noted the overall projected average single family residential cost increase all-inclusive at this time was 5.3%; but clarified that remained a working number based on details available to-date, with more vetting needed as the year and additional data proceeded. Mr. Miller noted Attachments A and B provided more detail on these projections; and asked for general feedback from the City Council at this time as to whether or not staff was hitting the mark, off target, or if more information was needed. Mr. Miller noted that the more information staff had available, the better feedback they could provide to ensure alignment for the City Manager recommended budget with City Council goals and objectives. Mr. Miller noted there were seven different topics or impacts identified, and offered to elaborate on any at the direction of the City Council.

Administration Department – Assistant City Manager Position (page 2)

Councilmember Etten asked if funding for that position was to be combined with some other funds and duties.

City Manager Trudgeon responded that this was the intent, as an incremental increase from repurposing the current position formerly held by Ms. Collins to an

Assistant City Manager position. Mr. Trudgeon advised that he would like to continue refining that position, its duties and additional responsibilities.

Comprehensive Plan Update/Transportation

Councilmember Etten asked if the transportation dollars included hiring a consultant to review that portion of the plan.

City Manager Trudgeon confirmed that was the intent.

Since this would be a one-time expenditure, Councilmember Etten spoke in support of using one-time funding versus tacking the expenditure onto a \$30,000 levy increase; suggesting reserves may be a perfect use for that.

Councilmember Laliberte noted the inclusion of funding for the transportation component, but not other components that are known to need review and updating.

For clarification, City Manager Trudgeon noted those other components will be funded through their specific funds (e.g. enterprise and other funds not necessarily from tax-supported funds); while the transportation component didn't have a specific or designated fund.

Fire Department Transition to Full-Time Firefighters

Councilmember McGehee requested a better understanding of short- and long-term impacts for this transition, clarified by Mayor Roe to consist of an alternative to accelerate that transition versus the current planned approach.

Police Department Mental Health Liaison Officer

Councilmember McGehee expressed curiosity about this officer position versus mental health crisis training for all officers.

City Manager Trudgeon stated that, obviously, the full-time officer was intended as available in the field to deal with mental health issues for those the department served; and to serve as a liaison for the community in directing them to appropriate resources. Mr. Trudgeon advised that as far as crisis intervention training (CIT), additional training dollars would be needed to get a certain number of officers up-to-date in that training. Mr. Trudgeon clarified that these were two different and distinct situations.

Councilmember McGehee noted that a full-time mental health liaison officer may not be available 24/7 nor was it specified that the officer live in Roseville; and therefore she opined it may be more effective for the city and staff to have appropriate training for a larger number of officers to guarantee that a minimum of one full-trained officer was available for each shift.

City Manager Trudgeon noted this would require additional resources toward that training expense.

Mayor Roe noted that was an interesting perspective.

Councilmember Etten stated he would like to look at ways to achieve that broader training or to review all options to provide that service; and to define how that officer impacts the whole department on a 24/7 basis for those needing mental health care.

Councilmember Laliberte expressed her understanding and support for the concept of a dedicated officer. Councilmember Laliberte noted her hope that this would allow that officer to follow a particular person throughout the process to better mental health, not just to open and close an incident, but to provide continuity to follow-up to make sure the person received the help they needed. However, Councilmember Laliberte also noted that it was also her understanding that the city was already training and doing more than was required for CIT training. Councilmember Laliberte stated her preference would be for what more could be done regarding the number of officers per shift if not available today, not in place of, but by providing that CIT training to more officers.

Councilmember McGehee stated her concern in turning the Police Department into social workers; and opined she didn't think officers should be following up on specific individuals, such as whether or not they're taking their medication. While that may prevent a subsequent issue, Councilmember McGehee stated that was not the role of the police department in today's world, including HIPPA concerns.

Councilmember Laliberte stated she agreed with Councilmember McGehee's comments, that officers not provide social services. However, in the nature of today's world, Councilmember Laliberte noted the need for officers to do more than currently able to do with mental health calls. Councilmember Laliberte noted this had been proven already, and when staff is able to follow a situation through it avoided future situations. Councilmember Laliberte suggested such a program we modeled after those prior efforts (e.g. domestic disputes or domestic violence situations).

Elderly-Focused Services

Councilmember McGehee opined there seemed to be an overlap of the fire and administration departments based on the Alzheimer's and Dementia efforts, and suggested coordination of the medical disposal system.

Employee Safety and Loss Control – Risk Management

Councilmember Etten sought cost savings that may be available by moving this training from one department to another.

Finance Director Miller clarified that the only change had been coordination of the program from one department to another. Mr. Miller advised that the additional training dollars were being requested to involve an increase in training and awareness for all employees (e.g. hazardous materials, work place injuries, etc.) and involving a number of areas not currently being addressed and needing additional resources to address those areas currently lacking attention.

As noted by Councilmember Etten, Finance Director Miller confirmed that this would be new money to do additional work with city staff.

Budget Process Next Steps

At the request of Mayor Roe, Finance Director Miller noted the City Manager's recommended budget would be presented in July; with public hearings scheduled to follow prior to adoption of the Preliminary Budget and Tax Levy in September. Mr. Miller noted additional subsequent public comment opportunities would be available in October and November as the City Council continued to review utility rates and as tax impact statements are mailed out by Ramsey County. With that additional public comment and additional information provided by staff as the year proceeds, Mr. Miller noted that would better inform the 2017 budget before final adoption in December. However, Mr. Miller reiterated that tonight's discussion and presentation of the City Manager recommended budget at the July work session were only one month away; and reiterated staff's desire for additional feedback sooner rather than later.

Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

Mayor Roe noted the need to include CIP projections as part of the City Manager recommended budget information, especially water and sewer fund CIP. Mayor Roe noted that this may not need to be a detailed discussion or involve rates at that point, but noted the need for the whole picture.

Finance Director Miller advised that Attachment B provided that detail as known today, including estimated financial gaps for each category within that nine page document.

Mayor Roe thanked staff for that information; and asked that from his perspective, he would find it helpful when a graph was provided, and especially when shown as a negative trend in the CIP schedule, a comparison graph also be included applying previously recommended solutions or current recommendations coming forward as part of the City Manager recommended budget, clearly outlining those comparisons. Mayor Roe opined that would be helpful for the public benefit as well to show what the City Council and city staff was doing to resolve issues.

General Comments

Mayor Roe opined it was fair to note that the chart (page 1) didn't yet reflect any savings that may be available from the 2016 budget, with this just providing a look at the projected net increases.

Mr. Miller corrected that perception by stating that the chart did provide a representation of net changes, including any factors and/or changes able to be identified up to this point.

Councilmember McGehee sought clarification on how an increase in assessment or appraisal of a residence would impact individual homeowners relative to the median home value throughout the city, especially when it had gone up rather significantly.

Finance Director Miller, in the staff report (page 4, lines 111-117) noted Ramsey County's annual report on projections for the following calendar year (dated March of 2016). Mr. Miller further clarified that in Attachment A (lines 114 – 116), the overall tax base for homes, apartments and/or commercial properties as a whole were projected to increase about 5.1%. While that information may change, Mr. Miller advised that the median valued home in Roseville at this time was projected to increase by 4.8%, thereby leading to a percentage increase to the City levy impacting single-family homeowners roughly by that same percentage or close to it. Mr. Miller noted the sense of impacts would depend on the levy decisions made by the City Council. While staff can provide "what if" scenarios such as that provided on the bottom of page 1 of the RCA projected at this time based on a levy increase of 5.3%, Mr. Miller noted this percentage and dollar impact would change as the City Council defined their preferred levy amount, and if Ramsey County's tax base impacts changed.

In an effort to add to the explanation for the benefit of residents and the complicated procedure, Mayor Roe reviewed how respective tax levies worked for each taxing jurisdiction setting the amount they wanted to collect, including the city. At that point, Mayor Roe noted Ramsey County divided that total amount among all properties proportionally according to their relative taxable values throughout the overall city. Because the average single family home's value has gone up by about the same percentage as the overall value of all properties in the city, the average home's proportion of the total tax bill would stay the same, so any percentage increase in the levy would translate to a comparable percentage increase in the average home's City tax bill.

Councilmember Willmus requested updated information on the city's various tax increment financing districts. Councilmember Willmus also requested a tracking of reallocation of the Public Works Maintenance Facility/City Hall bond funds as that debt service was scheduled to come off the books, and the amount of the levy currently allocated to that. City Manager Trudgeon duly noted these requests.

Specific to tax increment financing districts, Finance Director Miller clarified that their decertification had already been factored into the Ramsey County tax base numbers for 2017. Mr. Miller noted some of the information being sought was included on Attachment B (page 7), and the CIP memo noting where those funds were intended for repurposing when they came off line in the future.

Mayor Roe noted this included in 2019 potential repurposing of the skating center bond; and also the portion of the City Hall bond levy allotted for CIP funding.

Finance Director Miller identified those bond funds refinanced to take advantage of lower rates; and while still significant, it remained contingent on future City Council to annually revisit CIP funding.

Mayor Roe noted decertification of Tax Increment Financing District No. 13 last year, creating an unexpected one-time revenue source of approximately \$800,000 for the city; with recommendations that approximately \$500,000 be allocated toward the CIP for facilities. Mayor Roe noted the need for the City Council to have a future discussion on how to allocate the remaining \$300,000 for its best use; and asked if staff had any particular recommendations not yet articulated in this information.

City Manager Trudgeon reminded the Council that approximately \$150,000 of those funds had been targeted for the extension of Terrace Drive improvements.

14. Business Items (Action Items)

15. Business Items – Presentations/Discussions

- a. Request to Apply for Federal Funds for the Expansion of Snelling Avenue**
Public Works Director Marc Culver briefly reviewed the request as detailed in the RCA for the city's application for federal funds for expansion of Snelling Avenue.

Councilmember Etten noted the staff report mentioned not receiving any financial assistance from the State of MN and asked why not.

Mr. Culver advised this determination was partly based on conversations with MnDOT staff; noting that their long-term transportation improvement plan did not even show Snelling Avenue as a conditional project within it, and was clearly not on the state's radar screen. Mr. Culver noted that MnDOT was focusing any available funding on preservation efforts, and without any available money anticipated they planned no additional road dollars or projects.

Councilmember McGehee noted repeated discussion she'd heard over the last year, as well as her personal study of traffic flow along Snelling Avenue and pro-

jections compared with other metropolitan roads. Councilmember McGehee opined that not much had changed despite the dire consequences and projections; while in some cases, Snelling Avenue traffic was proving less than projected. Councilmember McGehee asked staff to gather that information together for future review by the City Council.

Mr. Culver noted some of the reasons for that reduction on Snelling Avenue depending on area roadway improvements (I-694 at Snelling and I-35E improvements), opining that it was difficult to say the actual amount of traffic utilizing Snelling normally without factoring in those other construction projects and detours. Mr. Culver noted that part of the transportation portion of the comprehensive plan update would include Metropolitan Council modeling regionally without that construction element figured in for a more normal picture.

Councilmember McGehee opined that she didn't believe the Metropolitan Council's desire for the city was more than a wish; and should not be an imperative directive.

Mayor Roe clarified that the Metropolitan Council was not projecting specific traffic levels, but their traffic model system was used as a tool to study the area roadway needs as part of the plan update.

Councilmember Willmus asked if there was any benefit between proceeding with this project or expediting the A-line.

Based on his conversations to-date with Kimley Horn, Public Works Director Culver noted that easing congestion with an additional lane would improve A line operations if expanded north of Rosedale Center; with a potential desire to shore-up shoulder lanes for buses to skip signal cuing.

Councilmember Willmus asked how to determine the point of termination or decide on that point.

Mr. Culver responded that it depended on how far north beyond Lydia Avenue was indicated so people didn't tend to merge before the Lydia Avenue signal. However, Mr. Culver noted that may get close to the Hamline Avenue intersection and interactions with that signal as well.

For clarification, Mayor Roe noted that these federal dollars were sent to the State of MN and administered by the Metropolitan Council for municipalities and other entities to apply for.

Public Comment

Timothy Callaghan, Lydia Avenue

Mr. Callaghan questioned what benefit there would be to Roseville; opining that the benefit would be for those traveling through Roseville. With locating this expansion in the Twin Lakes area, while tax increment financing (TIF) was already subsidizing development even though it didn't appear to be developing fast, Mr. Callaghan questioned what would happen if the TIF didn't come in within the next twenty years and who would pay the city's portion of the project. Mr. Callaghan noted there while looking to upgrade a state jurisdiction highway such as Snelling Avenue based on a few years of traffic that may look bad in spite of projections that were proving inaccurate; and suggested the need to look at other streets in Roseville (e.g. Fairview Avenue) that have had this congestion problem for over ten years, but nothing was done or any planning in place to address that situation. Mr. Callaghan stated he could not figure out that rationale beyond increasing the value of Twin Lakes properties resulting in them being the only beneficiaries of this suggested improvement. Mr. Callaghan opined that many of the great things proposed to happen through use of TIF over the last thirty years had not come to fruition; and those TIF districts coming off line haven't made up for what they'd cost the city during those years. Mr. Callaghan questioned why this was even being considered while plans were underway for an additional two lanes on I-35W; and opined it didn't appear the problem had been thought out very well.

In response to some of Mr. Callaghan's questions and statements, Mayor Roe clarified that the city was not looking to fund the local portion of the improvement through TIF funds, but through developer fees similar to those charged for the Cleveland Avenue/I-35W interchange.

Public Works Director Culver agreed, noting that it would be part of future development costs and mitigating costs to support redevelopment of a site, by use of those dollars for improving traffic capacity in the area. At the request of Mayor Roe as to the process for determining those dollars (e.g. Chapter 429 assessments), Mr. Culver advised that the funds were usually negotiated as a mitigation fee with a developer whether recognized as part of an environmental worksheet review or an independent traffic study; and addressing increased traffic impacts in the area and how to mitigate those impacts.

Mayor Roe noted then that this process would be different than the process that created difficulties several years ago related to trip count fees, which was abandoned in favor of the Chapter 429 assessment process.

City Manager Trudgeon agreed, noting that the city now had in place a Planned Unit Development (PUD) process based on particular developments and negotiated opportunities to discuss mitigation efforts with both parties reaching an agreement; and creating a voluntary understanding by all parties.

Mayor Roe asked how reasonable it was or how confident the city was to expect negotiated development fees would cover the city's match.

Public Works Director Culver responded that this application process would allow the city ample opportunities to still decline to approve a project before expending significant dollars beyond consultant costs. Mr. Culver expressed staff's confidence in the ability to raise those matching funds, using the former WalMart Development as a similarly sized example to address interchange costs.

At the request of Mayor Roe, Mr. Culver confirmed that if the city could not achieve the local match, there were several steps before getting to the final commitment that would allow the city to step back.

Councilmember Laliberte asked staff to define how far and wide these development mitigation fees could apply.

Mr. Culver responded that the entire Twin Lakes Redevelopment Area would benefit from this improvement and would also help with capacity on County Road C and other area roadways, especially between Fairview and Snelling Avenues.

McGehee moved to deny support of this requested application for federal funds.

Mayor Roe declared the motion failed due to lack of a second.

Etten moved, Willmus seconded, authorizing staff to apply for federal funds for improvements to Snelling Avenue between County Road B-2 and Lydia Avenue and authorizing staff to expend an amount not to exceed \$10,144 to hire Kimley Horn and Associates to prepare (conduct necessary modeling and concept refinement for application) and submit a federal aid application for improvements to Snelling Avenue between County Road B-2 and Lydia Avenue.

Councilmember Etten spoke in support of the motion; stating he saw an existing problem with moving traffic from Twin Lakes to this area; opining that he found such cross traffic had a big impact on Roseville residents. Councilmember Etten admitted that he chose at times not to attempt getting across of Snelling Avenue or going north on it due to traffic congestion. Councilmember Etten stated the city's goal was to improve traffic in the area; but noted that not only impacted some residents going to Arden Hills or elsewhere beyond Roseville, but also directly impacted Roseville and its residents using Snelling Avenue in different ways, making this project more than relevant to its citizens.

Councilmember Willmus agreed with the comments of Councilmember Etten and the application of dollars to at least look at this as a step in the right direction. Councilmember Willmus agreed this project would serve direct benefit to Roseville property owners and the ability to carry some traffic often carried by other

north/south corridors. Councilmember Willmus expressed interest in submitting the application to see how some of the elements might come together; and therefore spoke in support of the motion.

Councilmember McGehee spoke in opposition to the motion; opining this was another example of an abuse of public money. Councilmember McGehee noted a considerable amount of public dollars had already been expended in extension of Twin Lakes Parkway and for changes along Terrace Drive and County Road C-2, negatively impacting the community's use of those roads. Councilmember McGehee stated she had heard from residents along both sides of Snelling Avenue using Terrace and Lincoln Drives and their inability to use their community streets due to pass-through traffic impacts on them as city taxpayers. For the city to take it upon itself to attempt changing a state road with city taxpayer funds on the chance it would be returned through some sort of scheme, whether a PUD or other option, Councilmember McGehee opined was very flimsy. Councilmember McGehee further noted that the goal of future transit options were intended to be multi-modal as had been requested by Roseville residents; and the focus should be on providing a safe way to get across Snelling Avenue. Councilmember McGehee stated she saw this happen over and over, expenditure of staff time, public dollars and consultant fees, that even though promised as preliminary with an option to pull back, never came forward based on the rationale that initial authorization had been granted. Councilmember McGehee agreed with the comments of Mr. Callaghan that there was no benefit of this project to Roseville residents, especially for those living in that immediate area who try to use their city's amenities in competition with those traveling through the community from Highway 36 or I-35. While these efforts may succeed in facilitating moving that traffic north to Arden Hills and the University of Northwestern, Councilmember McGehee opined it was of no benefit to residents living here or making it any easier for them to get around, as well as not taking the multi-modal aspect into account.

Councilmember McGehee further opined that there were many other things the city could be doing to address transportation issues, including the status and future of its pavement management program; pathway maintenance and repair; and additional work on city streets and intersections that residents have indicated are insufficient. In addition, Councilmember McGehee noted resident requests for pathway connections for safe walking and biking to area schools; and additional extension of the A line all the way to TCAAP versus encouraging any more regional vehicular traffic for Roseville residents to deal with.

Councilmember Laliberte noted there were arguments on both sides; and stated she didn't yet know what the improvements on I-35W would do to alleviate Snelling Avenue congestion. While understanding and agreeing it was not the city's responsibility to expand Snelling Avenue, Councilmember Laliberte also agreed there were many other things in the community to spend money on or to address funding gaps. Councilmember Laliberte noted these federal funds would be spent

somewhere, and she had heard from those serving on the state transportation board that many communities didn't even request available funds for improvements, and opined it was important to pay attention to available funding options. Councilmember Laliberte opined that congestion did affect Roseville, whether residents or pass-through traffic, and everyone's time and quality of life when stuck in this congestion. If there is an ability to mitigate a lot of fees between now and 2021, additionally to her 3.5 years of advocacy for extension of the A line, Councilmember Laliberte spoke in support of doing so. Councilmember Laliberte opined there was no need to wait for expansion of TCAAP, but stated service should be extended to County Road E to service residents and busses along County Road C and Lydia, Bethel University and the University of Northwestern as well. Councilmember Laliberte spoke in support of continuing to find the right people to talk to make these improvements a reality sooner rather than later.

Since Snelling Avenue is a state highway, at the request of Councilmember Laliberte, Public Works Director Culver confirmed that MnDOT would be responsible for maintenance.

While having some concerns, Councilmember Laliberte spoke in support of the motion, with options over the next six years for additional mitigation and funding, opining that application for federal funding was a good step now.

Mayor Roe spoke in support of the motion, noting that while staff's presentation focused on the expansion facilitating north/south movements, it also facilitated shorter green light time to move people on three lanes versus two, benefiting Roseville residents traveling by bicycle, as pedestrians, or by vehicle to get across Snelling Avenue through that additional capacity to move through signal light cycles. Mayor Roe noted this would be especially helpful for pedestrians in allocating more time for their crossing from the east/west.

Mayor Roe opined that the perception that the cost of this would be all borne by Roseville taxpayers was misplaced, since 80% of the funding would be through federal funds; and while no one disputed that a portion of those Federal funds would be Roseville tax dollars, it would be a very small drop in the bucket. Mayor Roe stated his agreement in using the money as stated, given the lack of those federal dollars used in this part of the region to-date; and the ability of the city to use this tool to resolve a complex issue that was not even on MnDOT's plan given their higher priorities and limited funds to work with. Mayor Roe spoke in support of making application and taking time to do it well with assistance from Kimley Horn, recognizing the ability to back out if necessary. Mayor Roe agreed it wasn't a bad thing to assist regional traffic as well as Roseville residents.

Councilmember McGehee reviewed various segments of the displayed map and segments identified that would more safely move children to schools versus trails within existing city parks.

Councilmember Etten clarified that in his conversations with Parks & Recreation Director Lonnie Brokke, the park segments on the list were included as they provided handicapped accessibility for parks and playgrounds not currently available; and to get people from neighborhood streets to the main playground area, with neither park identified having parking lots available.

Further discussion ensued, with the consensus being the benefit of getting a crossing point at Shryer Avenue and Lexington Avenue – preferably with Ramsey County participation – and possible elimination of segment 6 in conjunction with that crossing.

Mayor Roe noted that, while pathways on both sides of a street didn't always prove popular, a sidewalk on the north side of County Road B between Dale Street and Sandhurst would serve to remove a huge barrier for residents of the Palisades Apartment buildings to connect to transit across County Road B, and asked that segment be taken into consideration as part of this process.

Due to the number of driveways involved, a retaining wall, fire hydrant, and utility relocates, Mr. Freihammer estimated that short connection would cost approximately \$137,000.

Regarding the segment identified as Section 6, Mr. Culver noted the most challenging issue was from a right-of-way perspective; with the sidewalk going in front of many residential yards, requiring an additional easement to install the sidewalk; including some impacts to trees, vegetation, etc. Mr. Culver opined this was one of the more challenging segments identified to-date.

With the seven identified segments having a projected cost of \$626,000, and only \$600,000 identified with a revenue source, Councilmember Willmus asked staff for their ideas on a source for the additional \$26,000.

Mr. Culver stated staff's priority list was as shown in the RCA, with the exception of Section 6. Mr. Culver advised that these costs were rough estimates with contingencies built in; and anticipated better numbers could be found to deliver all or a majority of the segments within the \$600,000 budget.

With two segments identified in the Park Master Plan, Councilmember Laliberte asked of the seven segments listed, what ranking did they have compared with the Master Plan segments identified previously.

Parks & Recreation Director Brokke stated that the two identified at parks were identified in the Master Plan as highest priorities; with staff continuing to work

with the community on how to better define those priorities. Mr. Brokke assured Councilmembers that the park Master Plan was consistent with all of these segments as proposed; with the highest documented segment that at Lexington Avenue (sections 4, 5 and 6).

Regarding the segment at Lexington Avenue and Shryer Avenue, Mr. Culver advised that he would need to look into that more closely to evaluate the actual crossing and how the streets lined up as an intersection. Mr. Culver noted it was still considered a legal crosswalk with drivers legally required to stop for pedestrians. However, Mr. Culver offered to talk to Ramsey County about installation of a more significant crosswalk, perhaps with flashing lights as well as a marked crosswalk. Mr. Culver noted it would be the city's responsibility to maintain the lights; but advised that amenity was usually required as a crossing feature for those crossings considered more at risk due to the volume of traffic, such as found on Lexington Avenue.

Councilmember McGehee asked if solar-powered lights at crossing were less expensive initially and for maintenance.

Mr. Culver advised that the initial cost was less as there was no conduit required to power the signs; and if LED lights, the initial cost was more but the maintenance costs were also lower.

Without objection Mayor Roe asked that staff have these discussion with Ramsey County as to how this may work out; and if bond funds were required to leverage funding, offered his support to do so if that allowed a quicker resolution, with Ramsey County support and participation, for enhancement at the Shryer and Lexington crossing.

Willmus moved, Etten seconded, authorizing staff to develop plans for the proposed seven selected sidewalk segments as indicated; and directed staff to return with more refined costs for each segment.

Councilmember Etten spoke as a big fan of Mayor Roe's requested segment connecting Palisades Apartments, noting the number of people this would facilitate and connecting hundreds of people to transit, gas/convenience stores, area parks, and also to Central Park; and offering numerous benefits. Councilmember Etten further spoke in support of Ramsey County's participation and as firmer numbers are available, sought assurance that sections 1 and 2 will be accomplished; and depending on further discussion with neighborhoods around those parks and more refined numbers based on those discussions, he still supported keeping section 6. Councilmember Etten noted the embarrassment when a sidewalk makes no connection and requires a rational explanation of why it was installed versus the need to finish things off to make complete connections.

Councilmember Laliberte agreed with adding the Lexington Avenue and Shryer Avenue connection as part of the discussion with the Ramsey County Public Works Department.

Roll Call

Ayes: Willmus, Laliberte, Etten, McGehee, and Roe.

Nays: None.

c. Appoint Member to the Community Engagement Commission and to the Human Rights Commission

McGehee moved, Laliberte seconded, appointment of Peter Sparby to the Community Engagement Commission for a term ending March 31, 2018.

Mayor Roe spoke in support of and noted his impression with Ms. Gadea and her resume; opining they met the needs of the CEC well; and thought she would fit best given her background. However, Mayor Roe deferred to the will of the City Council.

Councilmember Laliberte agreed with the qualifications of Ms. Gadea and encouraged her to reapply for a future vacancy.

Roll Call

Ayes: Willmus, Laliberte, Etten, McGehee, and Roe.

Nays: None.

Willmus moved, Laliberte seconded, appointment of John Eichenlaub to the Human Rights Commission for a term ending March 31, 2019.

Councilmember Willmus noted areas of Mr. Eichenlaub's application that caught his attention specific to suggestions for inclusive and diverse language and publications to reach a broader audience with city communications.

Councilmember Laliberte agreed with the good points made; and noted Mr. Eichenlaub's enthusiasm and apparent care for the community and how that could be reflected on this welcoming commission.

Councilmember McGehee agreed to defer to her colleagues on this appointment.

Councilmember Etten agreed with Councilmember McGehee in not opposing the majority; and agreed that while Ms. Gadea would be an excellent representative for the city, so would Mr. Eichenlaub's dedication. Councilmember Etten encouraged Ms. Gadea to reapply sooner rather than later for the next vacancy that became available.

Mayor Roe concurred with his colleagues; and again noted that each candidate brought great things to the table, and provided their own skill set.

Roll Call

Ayes: Willmus, Laliberte, Etten, McGehee, and Roe.
Nays: None.

16. City Manager Future Agenda Review

City Manager Trudgeon provided a preview of upcoming agenda items.

Discussion included inclusion of senior housing options and planned unit developments on July 18 (Laliberte); procedure for consideration a new Acorn Road Subdivision to replace the current application still pending, and formal withdrawal of that current application (Willmus).

City Attorney Gaughan advised that withdrawal of the pending subdivision application would be appropriate as a condition of the new subdivision application.

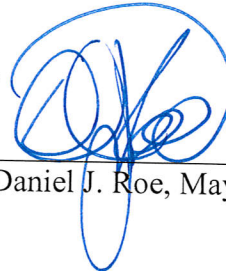
17. Councilmember-Initiated Items for Future Meetings

18. Adjourn Meeting

Etten moved, Laliberte seconded, adjournment of the meeting at approximately 9:18 p.m.


Roll Call

Ayes: Willmus, Laliberte, Etten, McGehee, and Roe.
Nays: None.



Daniel J. Roe, Mayor

ATTEST:



Patrick J. Trudgeon, City Manager