REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Date: January 9, 2023 Item No.: 7.i

Department Approval

City Manager Approval

Item Description: Consider Adoption of Roseville's 2023 Legislative Priorities

BACKGROUND

At the November 28 and December 5, 2022 meetings, the City Council discussed 2023 Legislative Priorities. As a result of the discussion, the draft 2023 Legislative Priorities are listed below:

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High Priority Items (Items that City of Roseville will directly advocate for passage by the Legislature)

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- Allow Municipal Hotel Licensing
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- Allowing a Taproom and Cocktail Room on the same premise
- Enact statewide Licensing of Massage Therapists
- Enact Local Option Sales Tax for Roseville

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Other Priorities (Items the City of Roseville supports but will let other organizations directly advocate for passage by the Legislature)

- Amend state law to provide for the opportunity for city officials to participate virtually at city
 meetings from a remote location without having to open the remote location to the public as
 long as at least one publically accessible location is offered when not in pandemic emergency
- Approve statewide conversion therapy ban
- Increase fees allocated to local Deputy Registrars
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- Increase funding for mental health services and resources for public safety
- Implement Police Officer arbitration reform
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- Advocate for an increase in Transportation Funding
- Amend State Building Code Chapter 1306 to Allow Municipalities to Require Sprinkler Systems in R-2 (Multi-Family) Occupancy Groups
- Improve Absentee Balloting
- Continue to fund the DEED Redevelopment Grant Program and the Demolition Loan Program
- Create presumptive coverage for Firefighters diagnosed with cancer
- Improve transparency of information property tax notices sent by counties

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- Police Officer Recruitment and Retention
- Racial Equity Data

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 advanced energy standard as part of the State Building Code and other legislative efforts to
 support zoning and financial incentives at the local level to encourage sustainable building
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 emissions.

The last bullet item under Other Priorities was added as a result of discussion at the December 5, 2022 meeting. The City Council should review the wording in the new priority to make sure it captures the intent expressed at the December meeting.

Finally, Mayor Roe has suggested one additional addition to the City's 2023 Legislative Priorities centered around support of Ramsey County's Youth Violence Response Proposal. Information about Ramsey County's request is in included at Attachment B.

POLICY OBJECTIVE

Advocating for Roseville's Legislative Priorities will provide a voice to the Minnesota Legislature and Governor on items and issues that are important to the community and city operations.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Not directly applicable to the Legislative Priorities. However individual items may have a cost impact to the City, either negatively or positively, depending on the topic and outcome.

RACIAL EQUITY IMPACT SUMMARY

While the racial equity toolkit was not utilized to analyze the equity impact for each legislative priority, it is important to acknowledge that each priority has racial equity impacts. As the City's legislative policies are mostly centered around state laws and policies, a broader state-wide equity lens is needed to ensure that racial equity disparities are addressed. As the Legislature considers the City's legislative priorities, the City will advocate that racial equity impacts are considered in the drafting and consideration of the legislation. In addition, as part of future City legislative priority consideration, staff will conduct a racial equity impact analysis for items when appropriate.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council should review and consider adoption of the 2023 Legislative Priorities.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

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Attachments: A: Draft 2023 Roseville Legislative Priorities

B: Ramsey County Youth Violence Response Proposal Fact Sheet

City of Roseville 2023 Legislative Priorities

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Ramsey County Youth Violence Response Proposal

HF 4624 (Rep. Her)/SF 4286 (Sen. Murphy)

Recent increases in violent behavior by young people, particularly carjackings, has brought more attention to a longstanding problem. A lack of culturally appropriate, community-based out of home placement options and other interventions for youth who engage in serious delinquent behavior has been a broadly recognized problem for years.

Subdivision 1 funds Ramsey County to create up to 25 community-based and culturally specific placements in up to 7 secure intensive treatment homes. Youth placed in these residential settings will receive intensive wraparound therapeutic and social services.

Placement at the State's juvenile correctional facility in Redwing, other secure facilities, and adult certification will still be an option for those who commit the most severe offenses; but for others, more supportive and sometimes secure placements in the community close to family and community, and other interventions, can prevent behavior from reaching the most serious level in the first place.

These homes will further Ramsey County's goal of keeping youth closer to family, community, and natural supports, in culturally appropriate, community-based, and family-engaged sites, services, and activities.

These homes will be developed in collaboration with community and will include continuous learning with and from these youth and their families and service providers to improve the treatment and services we can provide to these young people.

Subdivision 2 funds grants that will be used for youth violence prevention and family support to boost the effectiveness of these treatment homes.

Community based grantees will be required to:

- Create family support groups and resources to support families during the time a young person is placed out-of-home and support the family through the period of postplacement reentry. This can be peer-to-peer support for families, as well as mental health and other community support.
- Create community-based sites for conflict or crisis de-escalation to prevent incarceration or further systems involvement. Law enforcement can bring youth to these sites for short-term stays to de-escalate a situation and get families to needed support services.
- Establish additional meaningful employment opportunities for systemsinvolved youth.

Supporters of this proposal include: The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners, The Ramsey County Attorney, the Ramsey County Sheriff, and the Minnesota Business Partnership

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