

Mayor Roe expressed support for the motion as well. He likes providing more separation between the legal age to purchase and the age of people who can take up these products and become addicted. He is concerned about lack of regulation of e-cigarettes and that this highly addictive substance is available for even young people. More needs to be done at the State and Federal level.

Roll Call

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

Nays: None.

Willmus moved, McGehee seconded, enactment of Ordinance Summary No. 1555 (Attachment C), entitled "An Ordinance Summary Amending Title 3, Chapter 306, Cigarette and Tobacco Products."

Roll Call (Super Majority)

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

Nays: None.

Laliberte moved, Willmus seconded, enactment of Ordinance No. 1556 (Attachment D), entitled "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 314.052, Fee Schedule, Administrative Fines."

Roll Call

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

Nays: None.

City Manager Trudgeon indicated this ordinance will take effect 30 days from now, and all affected retailers will be notified.

Recess

Mayor Roe recessed the meeting at approximately 7:01 p.m., and reconvened at approximately 7:06 p.m.

b. Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting with the City Council

Chair O'Brien introduced the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC). Chair O'Brien highlighted a few of the areas in the narrative provided to the Council. The three main areas of concern include the emerald ash borer, The OVAL, and what is next for the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Chair O'Brien emphasized the community outreach to the SE Roseville park that is being developed on Marion Street and noted that is an especially important outreach effort to make. The Parks department changed the way they reached out to that community, and the PRC would like to encourage the Parks department to continue to use that model. The PRC was involved in the development of the community building at Cedarholm, and that is complete and will have an open

house this Friday. Efforts were also made on the Park Master Plan. A joint meeting was held with the Ramsey County Parks and Recreation Department, and what resulted from that is a joint Discover Your Parks will be held at Lake McCarrons on July 25th.

Councilmember McGehee asked for further description of the outreach to the SE Roseville community.

Chair O'Brien explained that the Parks department know that many residents in the SE Roseville community around Marion Street do not speak English, so specific outreach was made to the children. The children then were able to interpret for the parents, and it was a great success.

Commissioner Warzecha discussed the emerald ash borer situation in the City of Roseville. As of late 2016 the entire City is in the emerald ash borer infestation (EAB) zone, and the City has taken a 3-pronged approach: removal, replacement, treatment. It is estimated that all Ash trees in the City will be removed and replaced at some point. After removal and replacement, there will be no need for the treatment anymore. There are two funding sources to accomplish these tasks. The City is either using money from grant funds or the City EAB funds. The grant funds were a total of \$120,000. The EAB funds were established in 2011 and \$106,000 remain. It is forecasted that another \$20,000 will be needed for removal, \$40,000 for replacements and \$5,000 for treatment by the end of this year. Staff is currently pursuing grant opportunities for these activities in the amount of \$30,000.

Councilmember Willmus asked about diversifying tree stock.

Chair O'Brien responded the guidelines have been 10% per species, but now are being reduced to 5% per species.

Mayor Roe noted this is not just a Roseville issue. He asked whether the State is dealing with this.

Parks and Recreation Director Brokke responded it is up to the local communities to handle public tree issues. The State is very involved in education and in helping with identification and in granting opportunities as they become available.

Mayor Roe commented on the Dutch Elm disease.

Parks and Recreation Director Brokke responded he lived through that situation as well, and it was similar. The State will participate as they can, but it is a joint effort among everyone.

Councilmember McGehee asked about updating the public tree master plan to increase the listing of acceptable species to plant.

Parks and Recreation Director Brokke noted the Public Tree master plan has not been updated at this point. Part of the difficulty is getting the trees that Department of Natural Resources supports.

Commissioner Baggenstoss summarized the Council's interest for placing the OVAL on the legislative docket for bonding. The PRC is happy to help in any way possible, though the PRC will continue to need guidance from the Council. To date, the Commission has had some briefings about the history of the OVAL, how it has been built, and how it has gotten capital improvement over the years. The Commission has reviewed the Council's legislative priorities. The assessment for the OVAL is ongoing and is being performed by the original engineer. That will be incorporated into the CIP. The bonding will come up in the 2020 session, so the language has to be done by early 2019 so it can be submitted for 2020.

Councilmember McGehee recalled that Guidant previously provided the OVAL with funding. She asked whether they can be approached again.

Commissioner Baggenstoss noted Guidant no longer exists, so someone else would have to be approached. It is a possibility to consider.

Mayor Roe noted the original endowment involved a matching situation and possible restrictions on other naming rights as a condition of that endowment.

Parks and Recreation Director Brokke recalled there is some flexibility. If there is a corporate sponsor or someone interested, staff is interested in learning more. It was originally a matching situation. The dollars are with the Friends of the OVAL Foundation, and they have bylaws and restrictions.

Councilmember McGehee commented that one of the issues is this was a facility developed in collaboration with the State. It is a regional draw and, on many levels, an international draw. That is something that needs to be kept on the forefront when looking to the legislature for dollars. It is not simply a Roseville venue; it has a much broader reach.

Chair O'Brien indicated that has been part of PRC's discussions already, as it is a regional facility.

Councilmember Etten concurred with the comments so far. He observed that during open skate time at the OVAL, there are letter jackets from 10-15 different schools. That might be a casual time to encourage people to contact their legislators in support of bonding for the OVAL.

Mayor Roe noted that State funding was received for the restrooms projects a few years ago.

Councilmember Laliberte noted that Representative Alice Hausman is a lead representative on the capital expenditures committee, and she has been a great advocate for Roseville. She noted that Senator Issacson has also pledged support for helping Roseville work on this bonding.

Commissioner Baggenstoss noted the Commission is researching partnering with a group that will bring legislator tours to the facility.

Councilmember Laliberte noted that tours were done to many sites across the State, but when it came time for hearings at the Capitol, they decided to not do hearings for anyone they had toured. Rather, they gave deference to anyone who was requesting money who had not gotten a tour. That could happen again.

Chair O'Brien summarized that the Commission has had a very busy last 3 – 5 years. The Commission is seeing that one of the main themes for the long-term is maintaining what is in the City and that what is already in existence is in good shape. The Commission wants to continue to work on things. Pathways and sidewalks and connecting the community remains a priority. Providing better Parks and Rec services to SW Roseville remains a priority. Acquiring new parcels of land that might become available close to current parks is another area of interest. Residents continue to bring up the idea of a community center. It would be important to create a process to look at that decision. Before moving to those new ideas, it is important to stabilize what the City has.

Mayor Roe stated he had a conversation with representatives of the Nepalese and Bhutanese communities, and they talked about the sport of cricket. Another common theme he has heard is the desire for more pickleball in the community.

Councilmember McGehee applauded the idea to take a breath and figure out how to sustain what has been done. She would like to put one more item on the list of things to think about, which is an accessible playground. There are only two in the Metro area that are fully accessible.

Councilmember Etten commented on the need to know what diverse communities are looking for and how to provide those opportunities. Maybe there are some things being done less and less, and there are ways to repurpose those spaces. Regarding natural resources, there is a fervent group of volunteers, but it does not have the breadth of volunteers the City had hoped for. It is hard to stay ahead of the number of invasive species in areas where money has been spent to remove them. Discussion around expanding volunteer efforts needs to happen.

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Councilmember Willmus noted that the idea of a community center has long been on the forefront of this community's mind. One thing in relation to that is gathering spaces and meeting spaces. Over the last few years, the City has taken steps towards creating more meeting spaces. As the Council puts forward the community survey, it will be interesting to see if that perspective has changed or not. He believes that connectivity will continue to be an important issue.

Councilmember Laliberte thanked the PRC for its hard work.

Mayor Roe commented one way to get more involvement in the natural resources efforts would be to recruit local companies who are looking for things for their employees to become involved in. He also suggested thinking about going to native plantings in some parks to reduce the amount of maintenance needed.

Mayor Roe thanked the Commission for their joint meeting.

Recess

Mayor Roe recessed the meeting at approximately 7:46 p.m., and reconvened at approximately 7:48 p.m.

c. ~~Consider a Request to Perform an Abatement of Unresolved Violations at 651 County Road B2~~

d. ~~Consider a Request to Perform an Abatement for Unresolved Violations at 578 Ryan Ave W~~

e. **Consider a Request to Perform an Abatement of Unresolved Violations at 1693 Ridgewood Ln N**

Building Official Englund briefly reviewed this request, recommending approval as detailed in the RCA dated June 18, 2018. He noted the renter of the property is moving forward with purchasing the property. This is the information given to staff, though there is nothing in writing. The fence is in disrepair in two areas, and staff is asking for corrections. There is also a large mulch/leaves/debris pile at the back of the fence that the resident indicated was being taken care of, but it has not been addressed.

Councilmember McGehee noted this house has been in abatement before, and the issue was the fence was falling down. She asked what the resident has in mind to repair the fence. The City should not have to keep returning to this property over and over.

Building Official Englund responded he has talked with the resident about removing the fence and leaving it open or installing a new fence. He told the resident that with the abatement process, the entire fence could be removed and it could be applied to the taxes. The resident said he would think about it and that