



Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
City Hall Council Chambers, 2660 Civic Center Drive
Tuesday, June 20, 2023

1. Roll Call

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approve Agenda

Groff moved, Strahan seconded, approval of the agenda as presented.

Roll Call

Ayes: Etten, Schroeder, Groff, Strahan, and Roe.

Nays: None.

4. Public Comment

Mayor Roe called for public comment by members of the audience on any non-agenda items. No one appeared to speak.

5. Recognitions, Donations, and Communications

a. Americans with Disabilities Act Proclamation

Mayor Roe read the Americans with Disabilities Act Proclamation.

Schroeder moved, Strahan seconded, proclaiming July 26, 2023 American with Disabilities Act Anniversary Observance.

Councilmember Strahan thanked staff for efforts that have been put into place as the City has had certain people raise concerns with a quick resolution. She hoped the City can continue to have that type of more proactive, looking at things from all angles throughout the City to make their areas and everything that the public touches more accessible.

Councilmember Schroeder mentioned that a number of the City's department heads have included some of this in their presentations and realized when presenting to the Council that it is something everyone needs to get better at. She appreciated that staff has already started doing that before the proclamation was read.

Roll Call

Ayes: Etten, Schroeder, Groff, Strahan, and Roe.

Nays: None.

b. Proclaim July 2023 as Parks and Recreation Month

Mayor Roe read the Parks and Recreation Month Proclamation.

Etten moved, Groff seconded, proclaiming July 2023 as Parks and Recreation Month.

Roll Call

Ayes: Etten, Schroeder, Groff, Strahan, and Roe.

Nays: None.

6. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

7. Business Items

a. Public Hearing to Consider an On-Sale Liquor License for Tio's Food & Beverage

City Manager Patrick Trudgeon briefly highlighted this item as detailed in the Request for Council Action and related attachments dated June 20, 2023.

Councilmember Groff asked if Tio's has been made aware of testing and training.

Mr. Trudgeon indicated Tio's has been notified and are aware.

Mayor Roe reviewed public hearing protocol and opened and closed the public hearing at approximately 6:11 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public input on the above-referenced on-sale liquor license for Tio's Food & Beverage; with no one appearing for or against.

Groff moved, Etten seconded, approval of an On-Sale Liquor License for Tio's Food & Beverage.

Roll Call

Ayes: Etten, Schroeder, Groff, Strahan, and Roe.

Nays: None.

b. Public Hearing to Consider an On-Sale Liquor License for Par365, LLC

City Manager Patrick Trudgeon briefly highlighted this item as detailed in the Request for Council Action and related attachments dated June 20, 2023.

Mayor Roe reviewed public hearing protocol and opened and closed the public hearing at approximately 6:15 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public input on the above-referenced on-sale liquor license for Par365, LLC; with no one appearing for or against.

Schroeder moved, Etten seconded, approval of On-Sale Liquor License for Par365, LLC.

Roll Call

Ayes: Etten, Schroeder, Groff, Strahan, and Roe.

Nays: None.

c. Consider a Request by Par365 for Sewer Access Charge Credits

Community Development Director Janice Gundlach briefly highlighted this item as detailed in the Request for Council Action and related attachments dated June 20, 2023.

Mr. Thomas Jackson, COO, and founder of Par365, LLC, introduced himself and indicated he was delighted to work with the City.

Public Comment

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

Etten moved, Groff seconded, authorizing staff to administer five (5) SAC credits to Par365.

Council Discussion

Councilmember Etten appreciated staff bringing forward this as a way to support small businesses in the community. He appreciated the framing in the staff report with a potential future policy and he thought that is excellent and another tool for the City to encourage business development.

Councilmember Groff appreciated the draft and felt it was a smart move for the Council and staff to have that discussion in the future because this is an important item for small businesses. He thought it was good to help support this small business starting out.

Councilmember Schroeder explained this is exactly the type of business the City wants to support, and this is what the credits are available for. She very much supports this and thought the way it was presented was excellent so there is no doubt in her mind that this is exactly what the City wants to do with these types of credits and to encourage small businesses in the community.

Mayor Roe echoed the thanks to the staff for bringing this case as well as the upcoming policy discussion to the council, and also for this case being in-line with the proposed draft policy language.

Roll Call

Ayes: Etten, Schroeder, Groff, Strahan, and Roe.

Nays: None

d. Victoria Street Pathway Funding Update

Public Works Director Jesse Freihammer briefly highlighted this item as detailed in the Request for Council Action and related attachments dated June 20, 2023.

Councilmember Schroeder asked at what point is Roseville's share too high to do the project. She wondered if there is a maximum amount that staff feels the City should go to.

Mr. Freihammer explained it really amounts to how many other pathway projects the City wants to fund. Roseville's share would be coming out of the City's Municipal State Aid funds. He noted the City has funded almost all of the sidewalks and pathways since he has been with the City with that source. Basically, if it is on a County Road the way the City funds it is to apply for cost share dollars and get a fifty/fifty cost share with the county. This funding source would allow the City to at least take a million dollars off the cost of the project. Otherwise if the City did future cost share it would have to make up those million dollars. He indicated the City receives over a million dollars in Municipal State Aid dollars annually so there is funding for that but if the City does this project, it might push a few other projects back and if the cost goes up staff will need to look at prioritizing other projects. Right now, this would not affect other projects unless there are other projects that come up or are not planned for.

Councilmember Schroeder asked with this particular part of the trail, would the maintenance expense be anymore than any of the other trails the City maintains. She indicated it was her understanding that even though the County would be the lead on this, Roseville would still be responsible for maintaining it.

Mr. Freihammer indicated that was correct. The City would be responsible for maintenance, and he would not anticipate the maintenance to be any higher on this trail than any other trail directly maintained by the City. He noted this plan does account for some snow storage between the road and the pathway, which is beneficial for winter snow removal

Councilmember Schroeder wondered if the County does not get any grant funds for this project and asked if the project would still happen.

Mr. Freihammer explained most likely the County would not push it and it would probably drop off the County's proposed project list. Certainly, Shoreview and Roseville could request it through the current process which is applying for the County's cost share amount.

Councilmember Groff asked if any of the other trails Mr. Freihammer has spoken about as preferences or priorities, have any of the three schools on them. He did not see any that did and in his mind, the reason why it has risen to the top.

Mr. Freihammer did not think any of the other ones the city currently has have a sidewalk, noting most of the schools in Roseville have at least one pathway connection to them.

Councilmember Strahan wanted to make sure that the application is mutually exclusive and not something that the County could apply for both of these grant programs.

Mr. Freihammer indicated that was correct, the applicant has to choose which category to apply for.

Councilmember Strahan asked if the County were not to get one, could they apply for another one in the future.

Mr. Freihammer explained Met Council does open up solicitation every two years. If the County does not meet the qualifications in one round of applications, the County could apply in the future. There are potentially other funding sources as well, but the Met Council funding is usually pretty substantial by comparison with those other sources.

Mayor Roe asked when the winner of the round will be announced.

Mr. Freihammer explained it will be announced sometime this fall. Once this gets approved the County ends up doing a grant agreement and would at that point put together a cost share agreement for the design and construction and another opportunity for the Council to weigh in on the approval.

Mayor Roe asked Mr. Freihammer to talk about the process when the funding is awarded.

Mr. Freihammer reviewed the steps in the process that the City will take and when the public will be able to give their input.

Public Comment

Mayor Roe offered an opportunity for public comment.

Mr. Martin Berglin, 2953 North Victoria

Mr. Berglin explained his family built their home on North Victoria and helped plant the trees that are there today. He stated with this pathway, they are going to lose hundreds of those trees, which are defining Victoria as a corridor of Old Grove.

He also explained there is something in the economy that is called inflation, noting the project went from \$240,000 to \$900,000 very quickly and the project is still five years out. He wondered what is going to happen. He liked the thought from Councilmember Schroeder to put a cap on this. He also questioned the amount of traffic that is actually on Victoria, noting on the low end, there are 3.5 cars per minute twelve hours a day, twenty-four hours a day and he did not see that at all. He has talked to fifteen of his neighbors and nobody wants this project. This is not a community project; it is being pushed onto their laps and property is being taken away. He will be losing twenty-five feet of his front yard which puts him in jeopardy of a lot of different things.

Mr. Lawrence Jackerman, 2825 Victoria Street North

Mr. Jackerman explained he only heard about this project a few months ago. He wondered if this is still involving the existing right-of-way or does it consist of considering the taking of private property. He noted he has not received a letter from the City regarding anything to do with that. He explained if the City planned on taking his property it will cost a lot of money because he lives in America where there is a bill of rights where the fifth amendment of the United States Constitution includes a provision known as the takings clause which states that private property shall not be taken for public use without just compensation. This clause is intended to protect citizens from having their property taken by the Government without fair compensation. The Supreme Court has interpreted this clause to mean that the Government may take private property for public use only if it provides just compensation to the owner of the property. He explained he has not heard of any offer to pay for his front yard, and he did not want to lose any more trees either.

Ms. Kofi Montzka, Victoria Street

Ms. Montzka explained she read through the ninety-eight-page report on this project and nothing in it talked about the effect on the actual property owners who live on Victoria Street. She noted there was a petition from 2016 which was a long time ago and hardly any of the people who signed the petition actually live on Victoria Street. She noted she has a nineteen-year-old who is in diapers who is like a two-year-old and this is a safe place for them to live. She told her personal care attendant about this and the first thing out of her mouth was that her son was going to run away or get hit by a car because she has a ton of bushes that provide a buffer to the road. She explained she cannot even bring her son to another person's home because if there is a sidewalk or if he sees other houses, he walks away to their homes. She understood she is only one person and cannot ask the Government to make decisions for her only but she has heard that there will be no provisions for making things safe again on her property plus it will push up twenty-five feet so the pathway would be almost up to his bedroom, and it is terrible. She noted this will practically cut off her neighbors' garage at 3295 Victoria Street. She felt there has not been much attention paid to the people who actually live on the street. She would like the Council to have all of the information before voting and know exactly what the plan is going to be.

Mr. John Kysylyczyn 3083 Victoria Street

Mr. Kysylyczyn explained he has lived on Victoria Street for approximately thirty-five years. He indicated as he understood the Council's action taken at the previous meeting, the Council passed a resolution to spend roughly \$250,000 and he did not remember that resolution which was passed claiming to spend almost one million dollars. He explained the claim that there is one million dollars available, and he wondered if anyone has looked at the amounts of the last grants that were approved. There were not any million-dollar grants approved for the safe sidewalk to school deal. The maximum dollar amount was \$500,000 and the average amount was around \$330,000. Whoever is coming up with the million-dollar claim is pulling it out of their hat. That is not what the previous numbers show. This issue about the estimates for inflation are conservative. He noted he has the sheet from MMB for bonding projects and this is for people applying for bonding money for this next Legislative Session. It states you are going to be building your project in September 2029 at 31.97 percent. He asked himself why this did not make any sense. He never heard of the City giving another unit of Government a million dollars to do whatever it wants to do with it. The City also has a twenty-year-old policy that states that the City construct pathways based on scientific ranking. Other things he was trying to figure out is the existing pathway fifteen hundred feet to his east that goes to Shoreview and another pathway that is twenty-five hundred feet to the west of his house that goes to Shoreview. There are pathways on both sides so he was confused and that may be part of the reason why this is ranked number fifteen on the list. He did not appreciate the County and the City looking the other way while the County lies to the State and says there are kids in the City walking to school. The Roseville School District is unique as it buses all kids K-6 to their front driveway and back. He wanted to allow his kid to walk home, he had to sign a waiver declining bus service. That is the system Roseville has.

Mr. Ken Montzka, 3283 Victoria Street

Mr. Monstera explained the ruralness is a characteristic of Victoria Street and is why biking clubs bike up the street. The trees that are all on the sides will be gone. He stated letting Ramsey County do this is not going to guarantee anything being improved by throwing a million dollars at it.

With no one else coming forward to speak Mayor Roe closed public comment. He thanked everyone for coming forward to talk and he wanted to let the public know that the City did not approve the project at this point. What the City has done is supported Ramsey County's request to seek the funding. He explained there are a number of other steps along the way that would have to be approved, including what the final cost share would be. This is not something where there is no more chance for public input or no more chance for changes to not impact the decision making because there is a whole lot left to be done before anything gets built. He explained it was noted by staff that there is no expectation right now that the project would go beyond existing right-of-way for the road. So there is no anticipation at

this time that there would be a need to acquire additional right-of-way from individual property owners. Certainly that could be a possibility, depending on the final plans, and that would not happen without further opportunity for public engagement and public input in that process. If that is the case, the City would be required to provide fair compensation. Actually what the City does per policy is to seek appraisals and if the increase to the value based on the improvement does not match what an assessment might be, the City actually limits its ability to assess a property on that basis. Absolutely there would be compensation for acquisition of right-of-way but as was noted by comments from the City's Public Works Director, currently there is no anticipation that there would be such acquisition. But, once again, that could change as the plans get more fleshed out. He noted the difference in the dollars the public was hearing was not a result of inflation.

Mayor Roe indicated the anticipated project total cost is the same either way, the difference is where the dollars are coming from. The City's portion of paying for the same project total has changed because the County is looking to go for a different type of grant that they think will have more success in getting. That different grant is not as big an amount which therefore puts more onto the County and the two cities to pay. So the City's share changed but it is not suddenly the costs changed. It is the same dollar amount that is anticipated and projected for the project. The resolution was not a resolution stating the City would pay for something, the resolution was saying the City supports applying for the grant. He indicated the City does periodic traffic counts which are available at the Public Works Department. He explained the City looks forward to hearing from the public as this moves forward.

e. Review Changes in Property Tax Base, Legislative Changes and 2024 Council Budget Goals

Finance Director Michelle Pietrick briefly highlighted this item as detailed in the Request for Council Action and related attachments dated June 20, 2023.

Mr. Trudgeon reviewed Legislative updates with the City Council.

Mayor Roe noted if the City Council did not change the levy from 2023 to 2024, theoretically the tax bill for the average median single-family property, even though the value would go up 4.4 percent, the tax would go down by 1.3 percent. If the City kept the tax rate the same in 2024, theoretically the levy could increase by about 6.6 percent, and the resulting City tax bill impact to the median single-family home would go up by approximately the same percentage as their value went up.

Councilmember Strahan asked about the office percent increase of 42.49 percent, if it is based on anything in particular, and is that just Roseville or is that the entire region.

Ms. Pietrick explained the numbers she presented are for the City of Roseville only; other cities are shown in the County Assessors report on their website.

Mayor Roe indicated that is the total property valuation change between office change in 2023-2024. So, if there was a lot of office built, that would reflect in this number and might not just be a total value increase on individual office properties.

Ms. Pietrick indicated that was correct and these numbers are based on what the market was doing in 2022. Also when the estimated property bill came out in April with the tax bill, both individuals and business owners get provided their value. In a lot of cases, that is when people start appealing their assessments. The City will get a report later in the year but she did know that last year, a lot of the tax appeals were in the commercial and retail sector.

Councilmember Groff asked regarding office, because that is a large number, and if that is partly affected by what happened 2020, 2021 and 2022, did the values go down at that time.

Ms. Pietrick indicated during the COVID years the commercial, retail, and industrial numbers did not significantly increase percentage wise so this may be a rebound.

Councilmember Schroeder indicated she had a couple of questions on the budget impact on the Legislative session, regarding the earned sick and safe time. She asked what is the City doing now versus what is mandated.

Mr. Trudgeon explained for seasonal employees the City does not provide any accrued PTO or sick time at all. This would require the City to do this and would be an added cost to the City.

Councilmember Schroeder asked if staff had any information on the fifty cents fee on the delivery over one hundred dollars because she thought the City received a piece of that.

Mr. Trudgeon explained he did not have any information on that and was not aware that there was any money coming to the City, but he will look into that.

Councilmember Strahan indicated she wanted to follow up on the earned, safe, and sick leave. This is one hour for thirty hours of work so if a young or any age person walked in as a seasonal employee and do not currently earn sick or vacation time, it could be an hour plus per pay period. As presented, they would be able to take that after eighty hours of work but it did say that this will not preempt other cities safe and sick time. So it might behoove the City to consider what the long-term ramifications are if the City wants to put something in place in the meantime that

had a different floor. But she still thought it was a great opportunity for people who do not have access or who are part time.

Councilmember Etten explained to address some of staff's questions about goals, he thought the City is doing a lot of things that are important, but he would not look for any major changes from what the City is doing right now as the Council looks at any major things the Council wants. He noted that inflation over the last few years has been extremely high and while it is coming down, the City may be paying the piper now. So the City may not be able to look at the lower number that is true in this moment as the Council looks at how staff and the Council creates the budget as fixed things are looked at.

Mayor Roe stated one of the things the City tries to do is look at how much is done along those lines in terms of capital projects.

Councilmember Schroeder indicated what she thought of priorities is captured in the City Manager's goals that were discussed. She did want to mention the financial sustainability once the ARPA funds are gone. To her, that is going to be a challenge and they want to make sure that is covered. The other piece is the City knows staffing is a huge issue and what it is going to take to retain and recruit staff.

Councilmember Etten asked when the City is hoping to have the classification, compensation study.

City Manager Trudgeon explained he needs a lot of data to put into his budget, which he hopes he will have by mid-July.

Assistant City Manager Rebecca Olson explained the consultant is still in the process of collecting the data from the market survey, and is waiting on some cities to get that information back to staff. The goal is to have information to the City Manager in big broad terms for the budget, probably, the end of July is when staff will have big broad terms for the market information.

Mr. Trudgeon indicated he will be presenting the preliminary budget on August 21, 2023.

Councilmember Strahan wanted to reiterate how important it is to many people that the City's public safety continues to have the resources, advanced life support, additional fire fighters, the social workers that are embedded in the programs, and some of these interns that really are very important to what the City does.

- f. Consider Adoption of National Gun Violence Awareness Month Proclamation**
City Manager Patrick Trudgeon briefly highlighted this item as detailed in the Request for Council Action and related attachments dated June 20, 2023.

Mayor Roe apologized for dropping the ball last year on this item. He indicated once this came up on his feed this year, he realized that the Council did not move forward with anything from last year. He immediately contacted Councilmember Strahan and apologized, and she and staff helped to create a proclamation.

Councilmember Strahan thanked Mayor Roe for the opportunity to take this back up. She was not sure after last year that she was confident the City was in a place to move forward with this, and she appreciated the opportunity to collaborate and to offer the language that is presented, which feels very holistic and speaks to why this is important. She noted that as time goes by, almost every day, they are aware of gun violence in and around their neighborhoods, around the country, and so many are impacted daily. She thought it was a small measure moving toward action to acknowledge and to hold that space for those who have been damaged by gun violence. Hopefully, the City can take more steps but the City has already taken some good steps and she was very proud of the work and proud of the City's mental health because that is very important to prevention as well. She hoped this is a model that can be used moving forward.

Councilmember Groff appreciated the work that was done with bringing it to Roseville and specifically addressing some things that have happened in Roseville and also some of the things the Department has done on holding free gun returning events and disposing of guns. He thought that was really important information to get out there.

Public Comment

Mayor Roe offered an opportunity for public comment.

Ms. Jill Chisholm, 638 Lovell Avenue West

Ms. Chisholm thanked Mayor Roe and Councilmember Strahan and the Council as a whole for bringing this forward. She thought the National Gun Violence Awareness Month proposal was important. She also thought it was going to do a little bit of good this year and hopefully in years to come. Tonight, she was representing herself, as a citizen, representing herself as a mother and grandmother, and also the Mom's Demand Action Organization and the sister organization, Be Smart for Kids. The organization has been active in the community for many years educating and raising awareness of ways to prevent gun violence. She indicated the City and her organization can do a lot to educate the public about safe firearm storage, suicide prevention, listening when people in the community are in distress, and responding appropriately. She indicated they all need to work together, and this awareness month could increase the impact and save lives and that is what everyone wants.

Mr. Ed Hodder, 1083 Shryer Avenue

Mr. Hodder explained he wanted to speak about an issue that came up at Envision Roseville at one of the meetings with the community. The students at the high school were saying they were feeling safe at school but not in the community. He wanted to bring that to the Council's attention to drill down into what the concerns were with the students not feeling safe in the community.

With no one coming forward Mayor Roe closed public comment and read the proclamation.

Strahan moved, Groff seconded, approving the proclamation declaring June as National Gun Violence Awareness Month.

Council Discussion

Councilmember Groff thanked the people who spoke and brought up some really important points about education, noting this is just a start and something everyone can build on.

Councilmember Schroeder thanked the Council for the work done before she got on the Council and appreciated that this was taken seriously, and the effort put in.

Councilmember Etten appreciated the work done by Councilmember Strahan, Mayor Roe and City Manager Trudgeon.

Councilmember Strahan thanked Mr. Hodder for bringing forward his comment too. She thought that gave the Council homework to do before next May when school lets out to maybe bring this to the students to see that this is a start in the education process and what the City can do to help. She was thankful that students feel safe within the school, but the City wants them to feel safe outside of the school as well.

Mayor Roe thanked the public for mentioning the suicide component of gun deaths, which is both significant and important and probably should be dealt with more directly in the proclamation next year.

Roll Call

Ayes: Etten, Schroeder, Groff, Strahan, and Roe.

Nays: None

8. Council Direction on Councilmember Initiated Agenda Items

9. 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 5, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes**

Schroeder moved, Groff seconded, approval of the June 5, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes as presented.

Roll Call

Ayes: Schroeder, Groff, Strahan, and Roe.

Nays: None.

Abstain: Etten

10. **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 dated June 20, 2023 and related attachments.

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

Roll Call

Ayes: Etten, Schroeder, Groff, Strahan, and Roe.

Nays: None.

a. **Approve Payments**

ACH Payments	\$412,509.15
106692-106837	421,363.12
TOTAL	\$833,872.27

b. **Approve 1 Temporary Gambling Permit**

c. **Approve General Purchases or Sale of Surplus Items Exceeding \$10,000**

d. **Authorize Agreement Professional Services Agreement with Davey Resource Group, Inc. for Tree Inventory**

e. **Approve Resolution No. 12000 Awarding Contract for 2023 Pathway Project 23-05**

f. **Approve Metropolitan Council Environmental Services Municipal Inflow and Infiltration Grant Agreement**

g. **Approve Lease Amendment for Public Works Leased Space**

h. **Approve Professional Services Agreement for On-Call Land Survey and Construction Staking Services**

i. **Approve Resolution No, 12001 Approving MnDOT Signal Maintenance Agreement No. 1053679 for TH 51 at Lydia Avenue and County Road C2**

j. **Approve Final Payment for 2022 Sanitary Sewer Main Lining 22-06. Resolution No. 12002**

k. **Approve Professional Services Agreement for 2023 Construction Projects Materials Testing**

l. **Approve 1806 and 1812 Aglen Street Drainage and Utility Easement**

m. **Declare Mid-Term Vacancies for Various Commissions**

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

City Manager Patrick Trudgeon reviewed the July 10, 2023 City Council meeting, and the July 17, 2023 EDA and City Council Workshop meeting.

Councilmember Strahan appreciated staff including the future agenda information in the packet. She also thanked staff and everyone who helped make Juneteenth celebration a wonderful success.

12. Adjourn

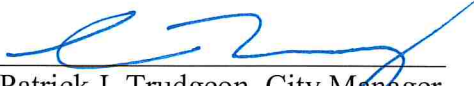
Strahan moved, Etten seconded, adjournment of the meeting at approximately 8:01 p.m.

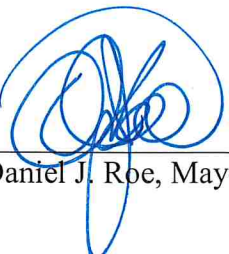
Roll Call

Ayes: Etten, Schroeder, Groff, Strahan, and Roe.

Nays: None.

ATTEST:


Patrick J. Trudgeon, City Manager


Daniel J. Roe, Mayor

Victoria Street Pathway Questions:

Why, after decades of telling Roseville that any type of pathway construction and maintenance is solely a city responsibility, does the county now have an interest in a 1.5 mile section of Victoria Street?

Why did the county hire a national consulting firm to sell the construction of this 1.5 mile bikeway?

Why is the city approving and funding the construction of a bikeway, when this type of large scale proposal has received no public hearings or input from any citizen advisory commission and is not city policy?

Why is the city ignoring our 20 year old policy that states we construct pathways based upon scientific ranking instead of cronyism, or if an adjacent road is being reconstructed?

Is the city aware that while the county claims that the maximum grant is \$1 million, making the city's contribution \$900,000, no grantee in 2021 (last numbers published) was awarded over \$500,000 with the average grant in the metro area non-major city category being \$319,768?

Why is the city investing what will be over a million dollars into a bikeway project that does not even rank in the top 10 priorities of pathway construction for the city (as this project ranks 15th)?

Why is the city spending a million dollars on constructing a bikeway where a pathway exists 1500 feet to the east and another pathway exists 2500 feet to the west?

Why are we building an 8,000 foot bikeway on Victoria Street, when anyone can see from a map of existing city pathways that the only gap on Victoria Street north to Shoreview is from Woodhill Drive to North Owasso Blvd, a distance of 2100 feet or 25% of what is being proposed?

If Victoria Street is such a dangerous road to walk on or ride a bicycle on, why don't the accident statistics support this claim?

Why is the bikeway being proposed for the west side of the street that will result in higher construction costs due to driveway angle issues, retaining walls, and the closer proximity of homes to the street?

What is the justification to Roseville taxpayers for the city to give the county a million dollars for a bikeway project, plus take responsibility for 100% of the maintenance and reconstruction costs in the future, yet object to having any involvement in planning and construction, claiming it is not the city's project?

Is the city aware that at \$505 per foot, this bikeway project will likely be one of the most expensive pieces of off road pavement ever laid in the city, even if adjusted for inflation?

How does the city justify stealing a million dollars from the Municipal State Aid road repair fund for this bikeway, a fund that exists to relieve residents on major city streets from having to pay large assessments for road repairs?

When the city bankrupts the Municipal State Aid road repair fund, which city homeowners living on MSA roads will be forced to pay thousands of dollars of street assessments due to money being stolen to construct this bikeway?

How many other projects proposed, constructed, and built by the county, has the city agreed to take on full maintenance and replacement costs for the next 100+ years?

If the county wants this project, why is the city so eager to pay for a large portion of it, bankrupt the MSA fund, and take on all responsibility for maintenance and replacement?

Will the city stay silent when the county lies to the state by claiming that this bikeway is needed for children to walk to Emmet D. Williams in order to get Safe Routes to School funding, when the city knows full well that the school district busses all K-6 students to/from their home driveways and requires parents to sign releases if they refuse bus service?

Why did the city move the County Road C pathway from the north side of the street to the south side where it was eventually constructed?

Why did the city pay to construct two front yard fences in conjunction with the construction of the County Road B pathway between Lexington and Hamline Avenue?

What is the driving factor to construct a bikeway on Victoria Street from Arbogast Street to North Owasso Boulevard when a parallel pathway exists 1500 feet to the east?