

and allowing ATVs on City streets provides another mode of transportation. Mayor Ramsey indicated if problems arise in The COR or other areas, he would reconsider his support.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Ramsey, Councilmembers McGlone, Backous, Tossey, and Wise. Voting No: Councilmember Strommen. Absent: Councilmember Elvig.

Councilmember Elvig arrived at 7:33 p.m. and indicated he would abstain from the vote.

Motion by Mayor Ramsey, seconded by Councilmember McGlone, to introduce Ordinance to Amend Chapter 54 of the Ramsey City Code, which Chapter is known as the Traffic and Vehicle Chapter of the Ramsey, Minnesota, City Code – an Ordinance Creating Article V, Sections 103-102 Recreational Vehicles – Golf Carts.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Ramsey, Councilmembers McGlone, Backous, Tossey, and Wise. Voting No: Councilmember Strommen. Abstain: Councilmember Elvig.

7.05: Introduce Ordinance to Amend City Code Chapter 10 (Animals) Related to Keeping of Non-Domestic Animals on Parcels Less than Three (3) Acres in Size

Senior Planner Gladhill reviewed the staff report.

The Council discussed the proposed ordinance and expressed a reluctance to consider animals such as donkeys, roosters, pigs, or goats on lots less than three acres in size.

The consensus of the Council was to direct staff to redraft the ordinance prior to introduction to allow four chickens per one-quarter acre for lots under three acres; to use animal units for properties larger than three acres; and, to require a CUP for bee keeping so notification is provided to surrounding property owners.

7.06: Consider East Side Oil Equipment Lease

To avoid appearance of a conflict, Councilmember McGlone left the Council Chambers at 7:47 p.m.

Associate Planner/Environmental Coordinator Anderson and Street Supervisor Reimer reviewed the staff report and answered questions of Council.

The Council discussed the proposal and support was expressed to offer residents a collection site to recycle used oil; however, concerns were expressed relating to level of staff resources to monitor the tank, liability to have residents access the site, and environmental liability should there be a spill.

City Attorney Goodrich recommended the contract be amended to require additional insurance and indemnity for liability and environmental hazards in addition to naming the City as an additional insured. The Council also suggested a shorter termination clause in the event of a hazardous situation.

Councilmember Elvig raised the option of the City leasing land to Eastside Oil Company, for a nominal amount, so the onus would be on Eastside Oil Company related to what happens on its leased property.

Patty Carlson, Eastside Oil Company, stated they have offered this program to municipalities for 17 years and currently have 52 public sites in Minnesota. Since they have never considered leasing land for the tank, that option would have to be reviewed by their attorneys. She described the program, noting mixed oil has limited value and the RFP with the State of Minnesota for this zone is 90 cents per gallon. Ms. Carlson indicated the 2,000-gallon, double-walled tank costs \$20,000 and the program results in forming a partnership with the City with limited staff resources to periodically monitor the tank. She indicated Eastside Oil Company carries a large liability insurance policy.

Councilmember Backous expressed a reluctance to consider the proposal, noting it would only generate an additional \$1,000 annually from what the City is doing now. He noted this does not seem to be a problem for residents because there are other locations to recycle oil, this proposal could result in residents leaving behind additional debris, it would add more layers of government, and consume staff resources.

A majority of the Council spoke in support of the program, as long as the contract can adequately address the issues of liability, because it would provide a convenience to residents.

The consensus of the Council was to support providing this service to residents and direct staff to contact City of Elk River staff to gain their input, to negotiate a lease agreement with East Side Oil Company that addresses issues of liability, and to also explore the option of leasing land to East Side Oil Company.

7.07: Discussion of Counter Proposal regarding the acquisition of property located at 8020 – 147th Avenue NW, Ramsey, MN for Right-of-Way purposes and future development - Portions of this case may be closed to the public

City Attorney Goodrich reviewed the staff report and advised that under Minnesota Statutes, the meeting can move into closed session to discuss confidential or non-public appraisal data and acquisition negotiations. He indicated closed session discussion will relate to acquisition of property located at 8020 – 147th Avenue WN for right-of-way purposes for the Sunwood Drive Realignment Project. The closed session will be tape recorded and that tape will be maintained for a period of eight years.

Councilmember McGlone returned to the Council Chambers at 8:14 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Backous, seconded by Councilmember Strommen, to move to closed session to discuss acquisition negotiations.