



MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 15, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers
Dave Perrault, City Administrator

FROM: Julie Hanson, City Clerk

SUBJECT: Solicitors, Park Shelter/Pavilion Rentals and Garage Sales Discussion

Budgeted Amount:	Actual Amount:	Funding Source:
\$	\$	

For Council Consideration

The Council should consider providing direction to City staff regarding garage sales, door-to-door soliciting, and park shelter and pavilion rentals.

Background/Discussion

Last spring due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the City Council suspended garage sales, soliciting, and all park shelter and pavilion rentals in the city. In late summer/early fall, the City Council revisited its earlier decision and lifted the suspension on garage sales and park shelter rentals, respectively. The suspension of door-to-door soliciting and park pavilion rentals continued for the remainder of the season and continue to be in effect currently.

With spring upon us, staff expects to begin receiving inquiries very soon regarding these functions and is seeking direction from the City Council on the following:

1. Garage sales – these were initially suspended in the spring of 2020 but later that suspension was lifted. Staff is seeking confirmation from the City Council that garage sales continue to be allowed.
2. Door-to-door soliciting – this function was suspended in the spring of 2020 and remains suspended. Staff is seeking direction as to whether or not the Council wishes to lift this restriction. It can be noted that neighboring cities of Shoreview, New Brighton, and Roseville are currently allowing door-to-door soliciting.

3. Park shelter and park pavilion rentals – all park rentals were initially suspended in the spring of 2020 but later in the season, the suspension was lifted for park shelter rentals only. Park shelter rentals were lifted in the fall due the Governor’s guidance and the fact that the park shelters are located entirely outdoors. However, park pavilion rentals continued to be suspended in the fall due to the nature of being an indoor facility with a bathroom. This type of rental remains suspended. Staff is seeking direction from Council as to park rentals as a whole.

Budget Impact

N/A

Attachments

N/A