

PLANNING & ZONING MEETING AGENDA
Thursday, February 15, 2024 | 6:00 p.m.
Eldridge City Hall | 305 N 3rd Street

1. Call to Order
 2. **Approval of the Minutes from the December 21, 2023 Meeting**
 3. **Consideration of Tobacco Shop Ordinance Amendment**
 4. **Consideration of Right-Of-Way Management Ordinance Amendment**
 5. **Consideration of Rosenow Subdivision**
 6. Adjournment
- Next Meeting: TBD

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**Eldridge Planning and Zoning Commission
December 21, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Eldridge City Hall**

Minutes

The Eldridge Plan and Zone Commission met in open session in Eldridge City Hall at 6:00 p.m. on December 21, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Chairman Karl Donaubaauer. Present were Karl Donaubaauer, Duane Miller, Brad Merrick and Terry Harbour. Tisha Boussetlot, Nancy Gruber and Mike Martin were absent. Also present were Jeff Martens, Drew Lawrence and Carol Drummond.

The minutes from the August 31, 2023, meeting were presented for approval. Motion by Miller to approve the minutes. Seconded by Merrick. Motion carried 4-0 by voice vote.

Martens asked for RILCO public improvement plans to be moved up on the agenda as Lawrence had expressed that he had a prior engagement to attend. The Commission approved this change.

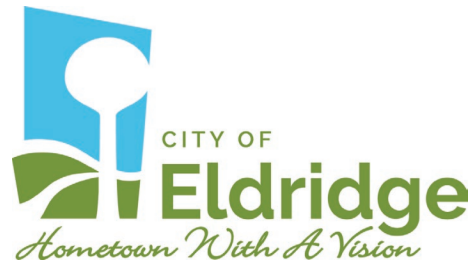
Consideration of the approval of the RILCO public improvement plans. Martens presented the city staff recommendations for approval with a list of items that needed to be addressed. Most of the conditions for approval contained in the packet had to do with the construction of the water main and assessment waivers that would be needed. Martens let the Commission know that city staff were recommending the sewer main not be extended at this time because it would have less than 3' of cover on the south side of the parking lot approaches. After a short discussion Harbour motioned to approve the plans with the list of conditions presented by city staff. Miller seconded. Motion carried 4-0 by voice vote.

Consideration of removing the Planned Residential Overlay (PRO) district from Grunwald 2nd Addition reverting the area inside Redbud Circle back to R-3 Multifamily Residential. Donaubaauer presented the guidelines for the public hearing as city code required this change to be made in the same manner as a zoning change. The public hearing opened at 6:12 p.m. Martens gave a review of the request and presented plans to the board. Martens let the commission know that the developer's contractor planned to build 8-plex condominium units on this property similar in design to the condominiums in Emily Acres. Public hearing closed at 6:25 p.m. Motion by Miller to approve the request. Seconded by Merrick. Motion carried 4-0 by roll call vote.

Consideration of changing the E. Iowa Street No Parking Zones. A request for this change was received from the Villas of Rustic Ridge Homeowners Association on December 14, 2023. Martens presented a map of the current No Parking areas and

the staff recommendation to vacate a section of No Parking on the south side of E. Iowa Street from 3rd Avenue to a point just past the Villas of Rustic Ridge. Martens also presented some history of the No Parking in this area. A discussion followed and Martens answered questions about staff involvement in the recommendation. Motion by Merrick to approve the changes as recommended by city staff. Seconded by Miller. Motion carried 3-0 by voice vote. Harbour voted nay.

Harbour made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 p.m. Seconded by Miller. Motion carried 4-0 by voice vote.



To: Plan and Zone Commission
From: Jeff Martens, Assistant City Administrator
Re: Tobacco Shop Ordinance Amendment
Date: 02/15/24

Plan and Zone Commission:

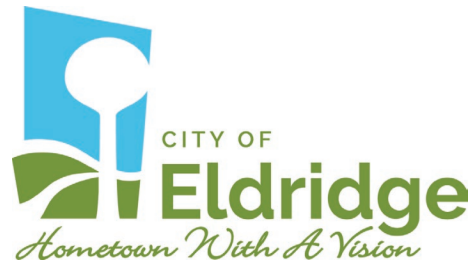
Purpose statement: As the Eldridge community is amid a vaping epidemic as evidenced in the attached articles from The North Scott Press, and attached memo by School Resource Officer Jack Schwertman, the governmental interest of the City of Eldridge is to allow Tobacco Shops, as defined by this ordinance, to operate in areas of the city not frequented by youth.

Proposed addition to Title D, Chapter 2 Zoning definitions:

Tobacco shop: Any premises where sales of tobacco, cigarettes, or alternative nicotine products, as defined by Iowa Code chapter 453A as may be amended, and/or accessory products account for 50% or more of the gross sales within the premises. Accessory products include any miscellaneous products that could be used in the production or consumption of tobacco, cigarettes, or alternative nicotine products. Tobacco shops may be known as Vape Shops, Smoke Shops, Hookahs or other similar names.

Proposed addition to permitted uses in I-2 Light Industrial (this would be a permitted use in I-2 General Industrial):

Tobacco Shop



To: Planning and Zoning Commission
From: Jack A. Schwertman, School Resource Officer, #112
Re: Vaping
Date: 02/15/24

Planning and Zoning Commission:

In my experience as the School Resource Officer, I have had multiple situations involving vaping in juveniles within the North Scott Community School District.

In my three years as the School Resource Officer, we have had multiple ambulances called to the high school in reference to vaping related symptoms. Vaping has become a huge issue with juveniles in the Quad Cities Area. The North Scott Community School District has implemented multiple classes and resources to help juveniles who are addicted to vaping.

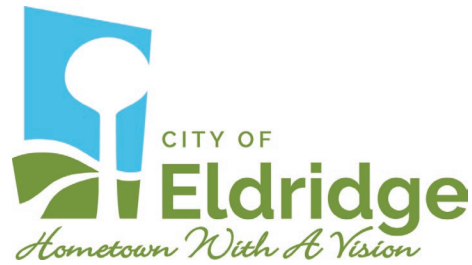
Vaping has also turned into “weed carts” that have become an issue within the schools. North Scott has recently implemented Halo sensors inside of the restrooms at the high school as well as the junior high to deter vape usage inside of the school buildings. Vaping inside of the school building is something myself as a law enforcement officer as well as school administration deals daily.

The school issues school consequences for first time offenders as well as students are issued citations after multiple incidents. The accessibility these juveniles have to vapes is so common that we are confiscating them on a daily basis. We as the Eldridge Police Department every year through IPLEGE conduct tobacco compliance checks including vape devices. In my three years as the School Resource Officer we have had no issues with vapes or tobacco being sold to minors during the compliance checks.

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Iowa law makes schools the battlefield for vaping Retailer enforcement stats look rosy. So why are educators shouldering the brunt of this epidemic?

Mark Ridolfi

Posted Wednesday, February 16, 2022 1:31 pm

The principal's office gets awfully small when you're in trouble.

Twice last week, I sat with administrators in offices to hear 15-year-olds talk about vaping.

In separate interviews, both students confessed to breaking school rules, and Iowa law, by doing what many of the students they know also are doing. Their disappointment seemed mainly in themselves, and the consequences of being caught at school.

One young man sat uneasily in the same office where administrators called his dad the day he was busted. He took the blame personally, shamed about upsetting his family and bummed for his temporary suspension from athletics.

He knew he screwed up.

A young woman seemed more resigned. Two offenses within a couple of months brought her to a different conclusion. "I'm bad." Her casual assessment wasn't menacing or frightful. She was trying to offer context to a curious journalist, invited to the school to see first hand what is consuming educators day after day.

And it's not COVID. High school nurse Emily Dimmer told me that last week.

Vapes are everywhere, and kids are huffing them incessantly, sometimes aiming to get "nic-sick," as the young woman told me in the principal's office.

The American Lung Association details symptoms exactly as Dimmer has seen: "Quick, heavy breathing, dizziness or tremors, confusion and anxiety." That's followed by "extreme fatigue, weakness and slow reflexes."

And that's when Dimmer calls a MEDIC ambulance to the high school.

Teens are no match for vapes

These two teens are hardly the first drawn to nicotine. Heck, they weren't even the only ones in the room that day. Tobacco consumption is a timeless human compulsion that still, to this day, kills 5,100 Iowans a year. That's an Iowa Department of Health calculation, not mine.

A decade ago, smoke and chew waned as government health leaders exposed the verifiable dangers. Workplaces banned it indoors. Insurers jacked rates for smokers. Elected leaders imposed taxes on tobacco.

Plus, it stunk and made your breath putrid. Kids, it seemed, got too smart to smoke.

Both of these students talked about their compulsion for a hit as a personal weakness, or fault. Neither fathomed that nicotine created and satisfied that weakness just as it has for millions of smokers, and exactly as vape-sellers intend.

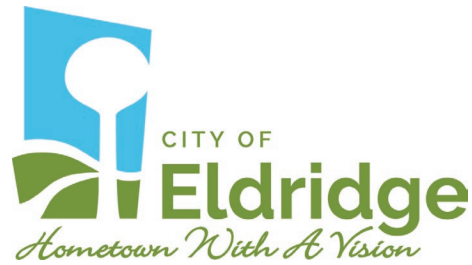
A teen addict is a lifelong customer.

These two kids and thousands of others are no match for vape nicotine delivery systems. Fruity flavors taste and are even named for the candy flavors they recall from childhood. No cough. No stinky breath. No lighter. No wrappers.

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Vaping requires only a cool gadget smaller than a Bic lighter.

They vape at home, friends' houses, workplaces, before and after practices.

Vaping is everywhere. School, it seems, is the only place kids get caught.

Enforcement is running educators ragged. Every day, they're tracking down reports on vaping that seems to occur every break in every bathroom. Each report sends them tracking down hall camera video, identifying suspects and pulling them from class for a visit to that small office.

Often, it's their first visit.

State touts solid enforcement

If these educators feel like they're facing it alone, it is because they mostly are.

Tobacco enforcement is a once-a-year exercise funded and led by the Iowa Alcohol Beverage Division. Its records show everything is A-OK.

The ABD is Iowa's government-run liquor distributor. State employees order, ship and bill for every drop of hard liquor consumed in the state. The legislature mandates at least a 50-percent mark-up.

The legislature also inexplicably put the ABD in charge of tobacco enforcement at the same stores it relies on to peddle its alcohol.

Iowa law allows retailers four violations punishable by fines and short-term license suspensions.

It takes five strikes before Iowa law closes a store.

But that almost never happens.

Instead, the ABD and the legislature created the I-Pledge training and education plan, that shifts most accountability to store clerks, not owners.

The ABD reports stunningly consistent 90-95 percent compliance rates among the 3,500 stores they check each year. They also report 96-97 percent of clerks pass the 90-minute, online I-Pledge course and quiz every year, allowing them to be certified for tobacco sales.

Last fiscal year, 65 clerks were decertified for failing the quiz. They lose their jobs, and the store hires others.

Compliance in Scott County has been similarly consistent, according to two officers who conducted it. They take high school teens with marked money to attempt buys at convenience stores.

Deputy Jamie Fah told me he wrote just two citations in the 75 store visits a year ago. He's getting ready for another check this spring.

Eldridge officer Jack Schwertman said all five of the shops in his town turned down the teenage customer.

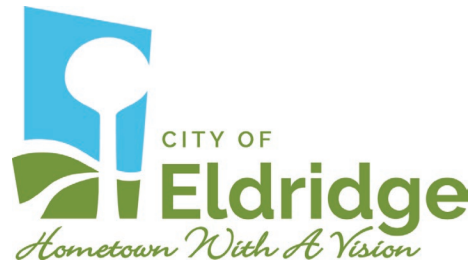
These teens know nothing about the ABD's all-star enforcement record. But they told me exactly where they could get a vape today. Each, independently, named the same two Davenport stores where teenage friends reliably re-up.

Next month, vape detectors go in North Scott junior and senior high bathrooms. Perhaps they'll be more successful than the Iowa ABD. Maybe the sensors alone will discourage students from a two-second mango-berry hit.

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If not, school administrators may expect many more students cringing in that small office, the call home, and a suspension from activities.

In Pleasant Valley High School, 15 students this year have gotten \$70 citations. Iowa law bumps that to \$135 for second offenses. Both require community service hours.

North Scott principal Shane Knoche and liaison officer Schwertman said that's the last thing they want to do.

They see themselves as the last line of defense. But in Iowa, it seems to me they are the first and only.

UPDATE: No fentanyl in vape cart from North Scott High School

Mark Ridolfi

Posted Wednesday, February 23, 2022 1:46 pm

UPDATED 11 a.m., FEB. 24:

Eldridge police chief said state crime lab confirmed THC, but no fentanyl in the vape cartridge taken from a North Scott High School student Feb. 17.

"The Iowa Crime Lab has completed the testing on the contents of the vaping device. It has been confirmed the vaping device is positive for THC and NEGATIVE for Fentanyl," Eldridge police chief Joe Sisler said.

"The incident is still under investigation."

Hours after the cartridge was taken from a student, the school district disclosed the incident in an email to parents that said a field test found THC and fentanyl in the cartridge.

PREVIOUS STORY POSTED Feb. 23:

Eldridge police await further testing on a vape cartridge seized at North Scott High School that is being analyzed at the Iowa Crime Lab.

Chief Joe Sisler said that will determine the course of the investigation.

"We are unable to confirm the presence of THC and or Fentanyl in the vaping device until we receive these results from the crime lab," Sisler said in a release Wednesday, Feb. 23.

"The contents in the vaping device were field tested which indicated the presence of THC & Fentanyl, which cannot be confirmed until further testing."

Sisler said school staff alerted liaison officer Jack Schwertman 11 a.m., Feb. 17.

School officials notified parents that same day with this email:

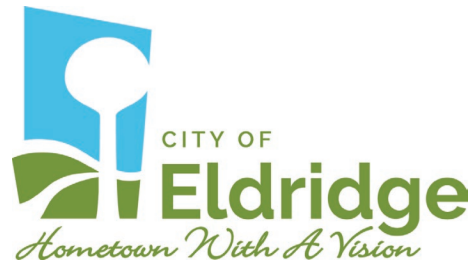
"As we continue to see an increase of vape use in our schools, we find it necessary to share information about a potentially fatal ingredient that has been found within some vape devices. The drug fentanyl, which is typically laced with other narcotics, can be fatal depending on the amount ingested. The main symptom associated with fentanyl overdose is respiratory failure and non-responsiveness.

"Vape devices across the country are being laced with fentanyl and local authorities have reported an increase of laced devices in the Quad City area.

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"Today at North Scott High School a device, commonly known as a "weed cart," was obtained by administration. A field test of the liquid in the device tested positive for THC (the active ingredient in cannabis) and fentanyl. This device will be sent to a lab to confirm these results."

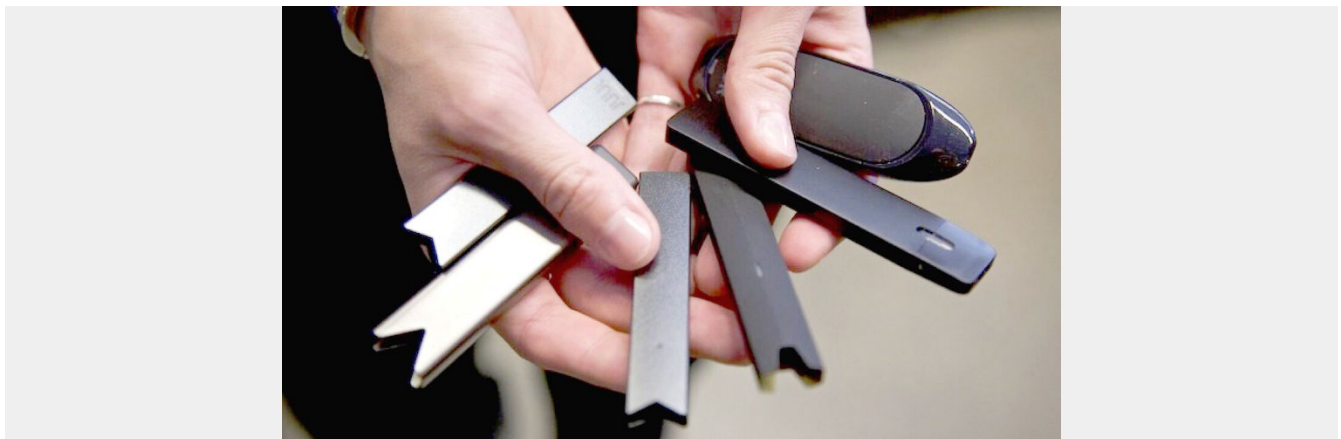
The notification follows concerns high school officials shared in an NSP story about the resurgence of vaping among students.

In the Feb. 17 email, district administrators reached out to parents.

"We encourage you to continue to talk with your students about the potential dangers of using vape pens and other illegal substances. Often, someone using a vape pen is not aware of what chemicals could have been added.

If you or your student(s) have any questions, please contact one of your school's principals.

Nic-sick: Students share the perils of vape addiction



Posted Tuesday, February 15, 2022 1:44 pm

Mark Ridolfi, NSP Assistant Editor

Two North Scott 15-year-old sophomores shared their vaping experiences with *The NSP*. These interviews were conducted in the presence of school staff, with parental permission.

'I want to wake up and just hit it'

Four days, tops.

That's how long a vape lasts for this 15-year-old North Scott sophomore when she hits it regularly.

She served suspension this school year after being caught twice at school. The first time, a teacher saw her using in a school bathroom.

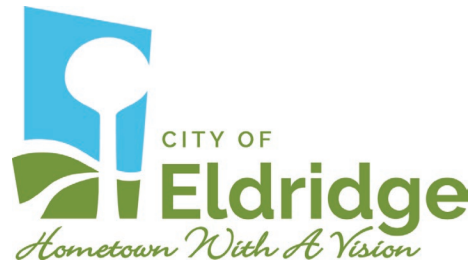
A couple weeks later, she got busted again. She and a friend had escaped to the parking lot, and probably would have gotten away with it.

"But she got nic sick," the friend said.

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Nic-sick is the effect of nicotine when huffed excessively through a vape. Some students are aiming for that high, she said.

“You get dizzy, a little jumpy,” she said.

The Centers for Disease Control documented the effect. After the agitation, users get sluggish and unresponsive.

North Scott High School officials have called MEDIC ambulances a dozen times this school year for nic-sick students, principal Shane Knoche said.

This girl’s friend didn’t need an ambulance. She went to the school nurse, confessed the cause, and implicated this girl, too.

School leaders are baffled. The vape fad they faced four years ago had subsided until after the pandemic. Now they’re catching kids who’ve never been in any trouble before.

“At-home suspension doesn’t work, because they’ll just sit there and vape,” said teacher Karen Pauly.

This girl agreed.

“Suspension didn’t do anything. Just sitting in a room won’t help me not vape,” she said.

Two offenses made her ineligible for 70 percent of her sport’s season, so she’s off that team.

This girl was assigned a research paper that’s opening her eyes to the hazards of vaping and nicotine addiction.

The compulsion to vape and the disciplinary consequences left her with a new impression of herself.

“I’m a bad kid,” she said.

Her friends thought “I was stupid,” not for vaping, but for getting caught, she said.

Now she’s irritated with herself for unwittingly becoming one of millions of Americans with a nicotine addiction.

Her first vape experience was with cannabis. By comparison, the fruity nicotine version seemed innocent.

Like most, she accepted friends’ offers. When a teenaged friend offered to buy one for her, she said, “yes.” That friend brought a Puff Bar to her house. After that, she was hooked.

Puff Bars come in 17 flavors, including blue ice and mango. The company designs its products for first-timers. “A draw-activated firing mechanism makes it ideal for those who are new to vaping,” according to Puff Bar ads.

This 15-year-old liked “all the flavors.”

Ultimately, she felt compelled regardless of the flavor. She’s trying to quit.

“But I want to wake up each morning and just hit it,” she said.

Athlete says: When you get your own, that’s when the trouble starts’

As a 12-year-old, North Scott grade-school student, he knew for sure he would never touch a vape pen. “In elementary, I thought, ‘I’ll never do it. It’s stupid.’”

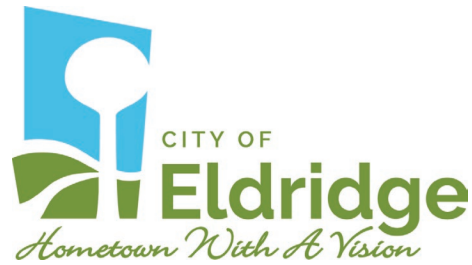
At the junior high, he ran into a few students who vaped. “But it wasn’t normal. I didn’t really have respect for people who did it.”

Things changed in high school.

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“Walk in a bathroom, and you’ll always find someone vaping.”

Soon, he was among them, sneaking bathroom hits between classes, but mostly at home with a device so small his parents never suspected.

“I never thought I’d get caught at all.”

Now this 15-year-old sophomore is among dozens caught vaping at North Scott High School, and facing the consequences: In-school suspension; limits on athletic participation; his first school discipline incident; a heart-breaking conversation with his parents, and this interview with *The North Scott Press*.

Vaping is overwhelming school administrators who are disciplining students who have never been in trouble before. Like this one.

“Suspension for this type of activity doesn’t seem a logical or a restorative process. Add an addiction on top of a still-maturing brain, and it’s hard to break the cycle,” high school assistant principal Dan Marceau said.

That’s why he encouraged the student to share this story. Many, like this one, wise up when facing consequences. But most are clueless to the certainty of nicotine addiction.

This student said vaping is accessible to any student who chooses. Accepting his first hit seemed social and hardly dangerous.

But when nicotine addiction demanded more, he asked friends to buy him a vape device. A teenager can reliably find a willing convenience store clerk. He bought his own just once, at Brady Mart. “No one said anything,” he said of the experience.

With a vape in his pocket, his periodic use became a habit.

“When you get your own, that’s when the trouble starts.”

Fruit flavors make the vapor tasty, fragrant and seemingly harmless.

The nicotine provides an addiction this teenager wasn’t counting on.

Addiction drew him into the bathroom for between-class hits that eased a compulsion he didn’t really know he had.

The last time he vaped at school, a smoke detector went off in the high school bathroom.

“I didn’t think it was me,” he said.

The detector alerted school authorities. They reviewed hallway cameras to document who had been in the bathroom.

When Marceau confronted the teenager, he confessed and handed over his device.

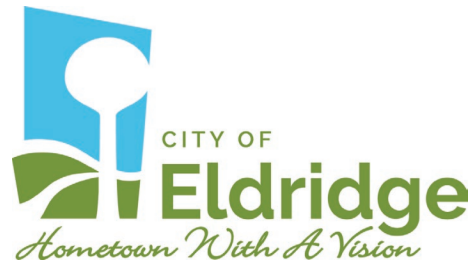
Then came the worst part.

Marceau alerted the teen’s parents.

“It was not good. My dad was very disappointed. That hurts a lot for me,” he said.

His mom was incredulous. “Why put that in your body?” he recalled her asking.

He had no good answer.



Marceau and school administrators have made dozens and dozens of these calls, always to unsuspecting parents unaware the addiction took place in their own homes. Now he's grounded from seeing friends. He'll miss part of his next sports season.

"Originally, I didn't think I'd get caught at all," he said. Now, when he encounters vaping students, "I just walk out. It's not just about not getting caught. This takes over before you even know it."

High school reports more student seizures Staff suspect link to surge in vaping

Posted Tuesday, February 8, 2022 3:54 pm

Mark Ridolfi, NSP Assistant Editor

At first, they appear agitated, twitchy.

"They tell me it comes on with hot and cold flashes. They kind of know what's coming. The twitching," North Scott High School nurse Emily Dimmer said.

Then some slump into unresponsiveness.

That's when she calls an ambulance.

High school officials are reporting more student seizures than ever, at the same time they're encountering more vaping students than ever.

A trend that faded in the pandemic is back in fuller force. Every day, school liaison officer Jack Schwertman and assistant principal Aaron Schwartz investigate vaping reports, take statements, review hall cameras and confront students to give up their vapes.

They find vapes concealed above ceiling tiles, and in bathroom soap and tampon dispensers.

They and principal Shane Knoche carefully note there's no evidence linking vapes to the seizures.

But they are desperate for answers. Knoche recalls when seizures were rare.

"Maybe once a semester, with a student who has a medical plan. Now it seems almost weekly."

Knoche wonders if it is an allergic reaction to intense doses.

"There's the shaking tremors. Then they're non-responsive to questions. I'm told an average seizure is about four minutes. This is more like 25 or 30," he said. "I wonder if it's an allergic reaction to nicotine..."

"Or the other 89 chemicals in there," Schwertman added.

Tests of some seized vapes turned up only nicotine, not THC, he said.

But nicotine vapes include flavoring and other chemicals that also could trigger reactions.

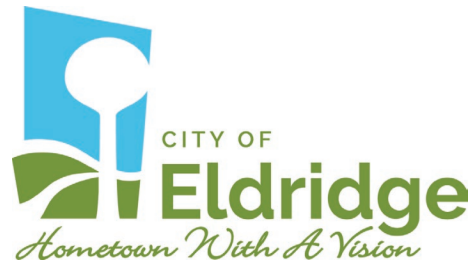
Knoche hoped students were done with vapes.

Four years ago, he shared his concerns in Scott Campbell's *NSP* report on Juul vaping at the high school.

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"It felt big back then. Then the next year, I thought we were through it. It wasn't a thing during the pandemic. Now it's huge again."

Since then, the FDA has banned flavors in refillable vapes, like Juul. But the rules said nothing about disposable, single-use e-cigarettes. Those surged on the market, cheaper than JUUL and with more flavors.

Now, Schwartz said, "It feels like we're constantly dealing with it."

Students or staff see someone vaping in a bathroom. An aide smells it on a student. A device falls from a backpack. The reports come in daily, and Schwartz scrambles.

"Typically, we pull up the cameras," Schwartz said. They'll track down those seen going in the bathroom, and try to identify an offender. Then they pull the student from class for an office visit.

"I say, 'Let's keep it on the school level. Please place it on my desk. If we pull in an officer, it's not on the school level,'" he said.

So far, North Scott's liaison officer has not written a ticket.

"We don't want to have a kid up on a nicotine charge in high school," Schwartz said.

PV issues \$70 tickets

Pleasant Valley High School liaison officer Jamey Fah has written 15 citations so far this school year. Each carries a \$70 fine for students caught vaping.

"This fall, we really did see a resurgence in use," said Fah, a Scott County deputy assigned to the school.

He winces at the rate of consumption.

"They sell you 5,000 puffs for \$17 that tastes like mango strawberry. Imagine how busy you'd have to be, lighting and smoking cigarettes to get 5,000 hits."

He and North Scott officer Schwertman say the teens are oblivious to risks.

"The kids I work with know nicotine is part of vapor. They're just not concerned about it. When you're 15, you are much more risk-inclined," Fah said.

Eldridge retailers comply

Both recently recruited high school students to attempt nicotine purchases. Officers give marked money to teens specifically buying vapes, cigarettes or chewing tobacco.

Swertman said none of Eldridge's five shops took the bait.

"We switch products. Vapes, cigarettes, even Swisher Sweets, which usually are used for narcotics," he said. All Eldridge shops complied with the law.

Fah is preparing for this year's rural county enforcement.

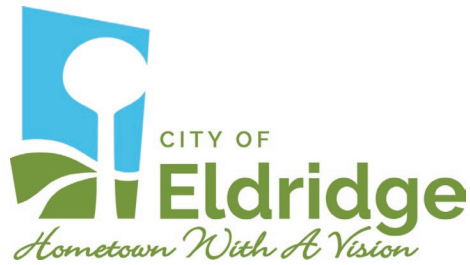
"Last time in spring, I recall two citations for selling to teens. We do 75 retailers. So having only two citations is pretty low."

Neither officer sees much cigarette smoking anymore.

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Knoche recalled one student caught this school year, “our first cigarette in a long time, probably four years.”

Chewing tobacco seems on the wane, though Schwertman acknowledges, “We are a farm community.” But he’s gotten no complaints and encountered no in-school use.

Vape sensors coming in March

North Scott expects to increase enforcement in March. When students return from spring break, new HALO monitors will detect vape use in high school and junior high restrooms. The sensors also react to light and sound, sending a message to school staff.

Schwartz and Knoche expect the sensors to launch dozens of investigations as they track hallway cameras, interview students and capture vapers.

“Will we go to charges? I’m at the point I don’t know what to do,” Schwartz said.

Dimmer said the vape surge came as a surprise. “In our world, vaping is now bigger than COVID.”

She and Schwertman wish for more open, public discussions on the dangers of vapes.

“These are considered a healthy alternative to cigarettes, when there’s nothing healthy about it,” Schwertman said.

Schwertman also urged more retail enforcement in the cities. “Students know which marts are selling and which aren’t,” he said.

Knoche said most parents seem clueless about their student’s use, “until we alert them.”

He believes more state and federal regulation is needed. “Someone has to go after these companies. Anytime you make a device to be hidden, you’re trying to get kids addicted,” Knoche said.

North Scott schools to add vape detectors in bathrooms Halo sensors detect disturbances and summon help



Halo detection device

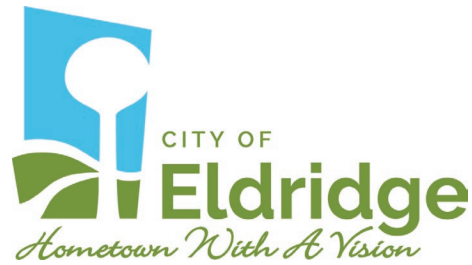
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New Halo security cameras in high school and junior high bathrooms will detect vaping, loud noises, and cries for help, then alert school staff and in some cases, call 911.

School board members meeting Monday approved moving \$500,000 in unspent funds from other accounts for school safety, technology and building improvements by the end of this fiscal year.

That includes about \$36,000 for the security camera system in restrooms and hallways. High school principal Shane Knoche said testing over winter break left him and administrators convinced they should be installed soon, over spring break.

Retired high school liaison officer Bruce Schwarz researched the HALO system, superintendent Joe Stutting told board members.

“We’d be one of the first to implement it,” Stutting said.

He said tests showed it can detect vape clouds or any smoke, aggressive noises, and even calls for help. It also detects and reports tampering.

“You can make it so a voice responds,” Knoche said.

That voice could affirm that 911 has been called, or warn students who try to damage the detector.

“When we tried, ‘Help,’ it said... ‘911 has been notified. Help is being sent,’” Stutting said.

The system sends text and email alerts to selected staff, which can review digital video and identify students or staff who had been in bathrooms at the time of the alarm.

District finance director Jill Von Roedel said the \$500,000 is left over from four accounts, and required board approval to be spent on security.

Stutting said much of the surplus is due to the pandemic, which reduced preschool, professional development and other costs. Specifically:

Home school assistance: \$50,000

Teacher leadership supplement: \$100,000

Statewide voluntary preschool: \$225,000

Professional development reserves: \$125,000

Board members authorized the uses after a public hearing that drew no comments.

Concurrent enrollment

More than 95 percent of North Scott students graduate with community college credits, leading the region and well ahead of the governor’s 2025 goal of 70 percent.

North Scott and Scott Community College staff said concurrent college and career certification is booming in the district, with much more to come.

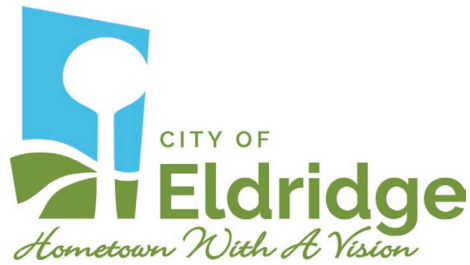
“In the past, we said college and career training. It should be career and college. There are so many more pathways,” high school principal Shane Knoche told board members.

EICC already offers automotive, construction, welding, health care and education certification.

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Coming next: Engineering tech, sign language, small business management, CNC machining, medical assistant and information technology.

“The goal of pathways is to help students in a defined way start to explore a career,” said EICC concurrent enrollment dean Gabe Knight.

North Scott concurrent enrollment coaching begins in eighth grade, high school counselor Tracy Denahy said. Students are surveyed to launch career vision plans. They are asked what things come easier for them, and make them feel successful; and areas for improvement.

“It’s not just, ‘What do you like to do?’ but ‘What kind of environment do you want to work in?’” Denahy said.

EICC concurrent academic advisor Alex Batten spends one to two days at the high school steering students to on-site training. His presence allows high school counselors to address “a lot more social and emotional needs,” for students, rather than figuring out college coursework.

That’s drawing more career interest.

“We used to send two kids to Scott Community College for CAN training. Now we have 40,” taking it at the high school, Knoche said.

That’s changing school district expectations.

“We’re not satisfied focusing only on graduation rate anymore. We’re looking at certification rates six years after graduation. We want to have 100 percent with of some sort of certification or degree,” Knoche said.

The 95 percent of students who graduate with college credit averaged 20 earned credit hours, Denahy said. Just using EICC tuition rates, concurrent enrollment saved families \$761,000.

“It’s like we’re handing out scholarships every day,” board member John Maxwell said.

District property taxpayers cover most of the concurrent enrollment costs.

EICC concurrent education coordinator Anthony Bielski commended NS staff for meeting college coursework standards, a perennial challenge for concurrent programs.

\$911K to close gaps

Stutting proposed spending \$910,987 in federal pandemic school aid on reading and math interventionists for all elementaries and the junior high.

The funding from the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief, or ESSER fund, will target students with achievement gaps attributable to the pandemic.

Stutting proposed using \$415,092 in the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years to hire six full-time math interventionists. The district would spend \$80,803 to expand four elementary reading interventionists to full-time this semester.

The funding also will be used to build skills of other teachers to close gaps for all kids, Stutting said.

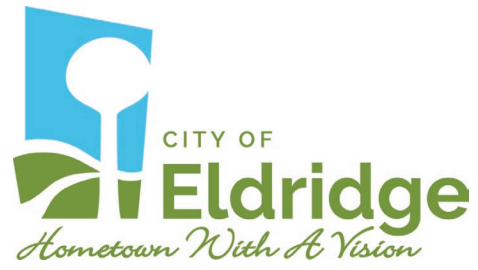
Board members also:

- Approved a request for \$1,052,208 in supplemental aid. The money will be used to address at-risk students learning center and instructional support services.

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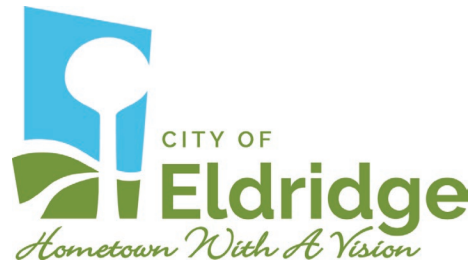


- Will hold a public hearing on the 2022-23 school calendar at the 6:30 p.m., Jan. 24 meeting at Glenn Elementary in Donahue. A draft calendar based on staff feedback remains posted on the district website.

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To: Planning and Zoning Commission
From: Jeff Martens, Assistant City Administrator
Re: Repeat Offender Ordinance Amendment
Date: 02/15/24

Planning and Zoning Commission:

The City of Eldridge has a franchise agreement with Central Scott Telephone Company, Mediacom and MidAmerican Energy. These agreements governs their use of the city right-of-way (ROW).

Under Iowa law, a city is authorized to grant a franchise to the following types of entities: plants and systems for electric light and power, heating, telegraph, cable television, district telegraph and alarm, motor bus, trolley bus, street railway or other public transit, waterworks, sewer services, or gasworks. Iowa Code 364.2(4)(a).

There are certain companies that have infrastructure in the city ROW that do not meet this definition and therefore cannot be included in franchise agreements. Currently there are no permitting requirements for these companies and if we needed one of these companies to move their infrastructure for some reason, say to make room for a stop light, we have no guidelines in the city code to ensure compliance in these matters.

For this reason, city staff and legal counsel recommend a ROW Management Ordinance that would give the city control in these situations.

Chapter 20 RIGHT OF WAY/UTILITY EASEMENT MANAGEMENT

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- 4.00 Permit Fee; Exemptions
- 5.00 Bond Requirements
- 6.00 Safety Devices
- 7.00 Specifications of Restoration
- 8.00 Relocation of Facilities or Equipment
- 9.00 Noncompliance

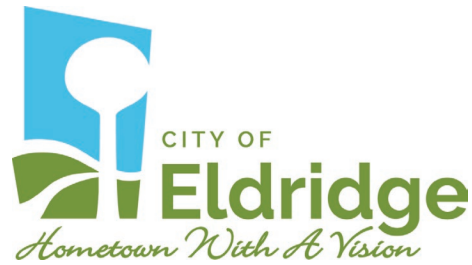
1.00 PURPOSE

The purpose of this section is to regulate and manage the city Right of Way and Utility Easements.

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2.00 PERMIT REQUIRED

No person, firm or corporation shall make any excavation within the right of way of any street or alley or utility easement for any purpose without first obtaining a permit from the Assistant City Administrator, or their designee, except:

- A. If an emergency exists, work may proceed immediately to protect public safety and the person, firm, or corporation responsible for such work shall secure from the building inspector on the next working day a permit for such work.
- B. Employees of the city on official business shall be exempt from this section.

3.00 CONTENTS OF PERMIT APPLICATION

The application for a permit required by this chapter shall state the applicant, place and purpose of the excavation and all contact information for which the permit is sought.

4.00 PERMIT FEE; EXEMPTIONS

A. Fee Amount; Franchise Holders Exempt:

- 1. The fee for each excavation permit, which permit shall be for a single project involving continuous work requiring excavation in the right of way of any street or alley, shall be pursuant to the fee schedule adopted by resolution of the city council.
- 2. Holders of valid utility franchises which specifically exempt that utility from a permit fee are exempt from this section.

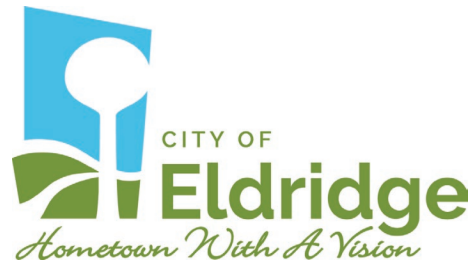
B. Exception for Other Permit; Bond: No fee shall be charged for an excavation permit if the applicant secures, at the same time and for the same purpose of excavation another required permit; provided, however, the applicant has on file with the clerk, a properly executed bond for the work to be performed.

5.00 BOND REQUIREMENTS

A. Bond Required: The applicant for a permit required by this chapter shall file with the city clerk a properly executed bond, with sureties to be approved by the city clerk in the penal sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), conditioned for the faithful performance and observation of all provisions of this code and other ordinances of the city relative to excavation and further conditioned that the obligors on the bond will save harmless the city from all damages sustained or caused by reason of the negligence of the applicant or his agent or employee.

B. Business of Making Excavations: Any person whose business requires the making of excavations in the public streets for sewer, drain, water or other connections may file a properly executed bond to the city clerk which shall be sufficient to fulfill the requirements of this chapter.

6.00 SAFETY DEVICES



It shall be unlawful to make any excavation in any street, alley, or other public place or within six feet (6') of any sidewalk, street, alley or other public place unless the excavation is secured by a substantially built enclosure with warning lights placed and operational at night.

7:00 SPECIFICATIONS OF RESTORATION

A. Restoration: The excavation construction and restoration of any street, alley, sidewalk or other public property shall be made so as to restore the property to as good a condition as existed prior to the excavation, but shall not be less than the standard specifications and requirements of the public works department adopted pursuant to Title C-Chapter 10 Standard Construction Specifications, Title C-Chapter 18 Construction and Site Erosion and only policies of the City impacting disturbed areas.

B. Maintenance: All excavations shall be maintained in good and suitable repair to the satisfaction of the public works department for three (3) years after completion of the excavation work.

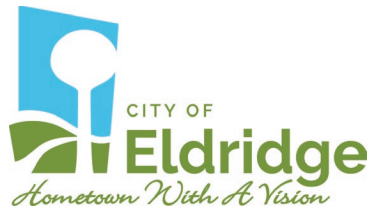
8:00 RELOCATION OF FACILITIES OR EQUIPMENT

A. If the City of Eldridge shall elect to alter or change the grade or location of any Street, or shall engage in any construction or other public works in, on, next to, or under the Streets, permit holder, upon at least forty-five (45) days written notice by the City of Eldridge, shall relocate its their facilities or equipment, whatever they may be, at its own expense, and in each instance shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal laws, ordinances, codes, and regulations.

B. If a commercial or private developer requests the permit holder to relocate its existing facilities or equipment to directly facilitate the project of a commercial or private developer or other non-public entity, the City shall require the developer or non-public entity to reimburse the permit holder for the cost of such relocation as a precondition to relocation of its existing facilities or equipment. The permit holder shall not be required to relocate to facilitate such private projects at its expense.

9.00 NONCOMPLIANCE

Noncompliance with any part of this chapter is a Municipal Infraction and subject to the penalties detailed in Title A, Chapter 2, Section 3.02.



To: Plan and Zone Commission
From: Jeff Martens, Assistant City Administrator
Re: Rosenow Final Plat
Date: 2/15/24

Plan and Zone Commission:

A final plat and application has been received for Rosenow Subdivision. This plat is shifting two lots into a new configuration and creating new easements at the corner of LeClaire Road and Scott Park Road. This property is zoned C-3 General Commercial. City staff and City Engineer have reviewed this plat and are recommending approval.

Following are 3 exhibits:

- 1) Location Map
- 2) Final Plat Application
- 3) Final Plat

Current:



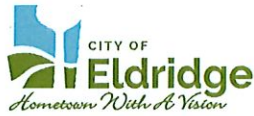
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Final Plat Application - City of Eldridge

Name of Subdivision: Rosenow Subdivision

Number of lots in subdivision: 2 Current Zoning: C-3

Who should be contacted regarding this plat: Kevin Cox of Townsend Engineering

Phone Number: 563-386-4236

Email Address: kevin@townsendengineering.net

Name of Developer: Randy Rosenow *Hamilton - Rosenow*

Developer's contact: Randy Rosenow

Address: PO Box 109, Eldridge, IA 52748

Phone Number: 563-349-7362

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Name of Engineer preparing construction drawings: Townsend Engineering

Address: 2224 E. 12th St., Davenport, IA 52803

Phone Number: 563-386-4236

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Name of land surveyor preparing plat: Jerry Rogers of Townsend Engineering

Address: 2224 E. 12th St., Davenport, IA 52803

Phone Number: 563-386-4236

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Name of person preparing legal documents: Thomas M. Feeney of The Law Center

Address: 329 18th St., Ste. 100, Rock Island, IL 61201

Phone Number: 309-788-2800

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Filing fee included with this application: \$ 100

The following shall be filed with this application:

- A. Ten (10) copies of the final plat
- B. One (1) copy reduced to 11x17
- C. Four (4) copies of the construction drawings
- D. Two (2) copies of the legal documents
- E. Filing Fee
- F. One (1) PDF copy of the final plat and construction drawings

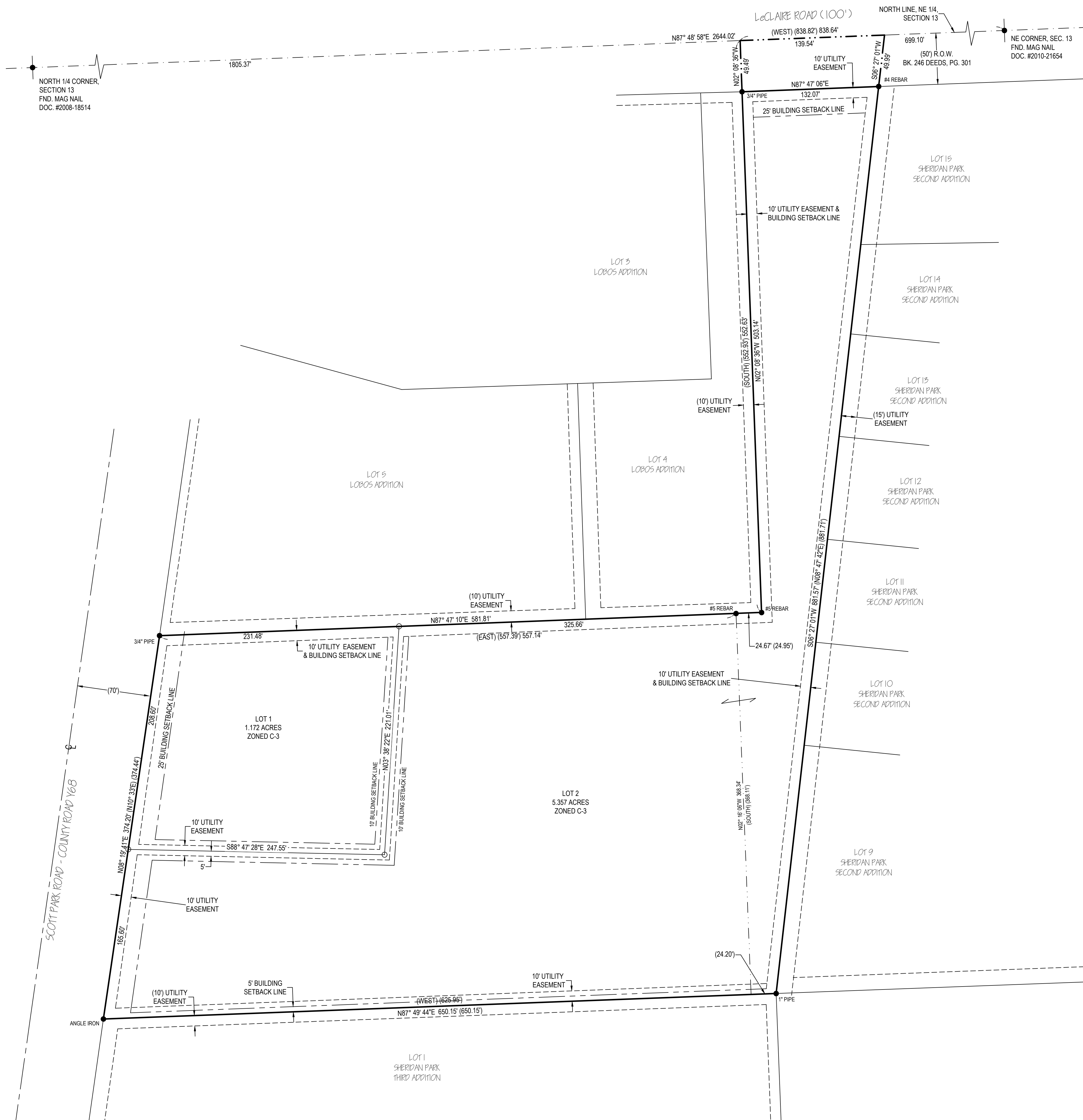
Filing Fee Paid \$ 100

Date Filed: 2/9/2024

FINAL PLAT

ROSENOW SUBDIVISION

PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 13,
TOWNSHIP 79 NORTH, RANGE 3 EAST OF THE FIFTH
PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN THE CITY OF ELDRIDGE, SCOTT
COUNTY, IOWA.



NOTES

- ALL STREET RIGHTS OF WAY TO BE DEDICATED TO THE CITY OF ELDRIDGE.
- SIDEWALKS WILL BE INSTALLED ON THE FRONT OF ALL LOTS AT THE TIME WHEN REQUESTED BY CITY..
- ALL LOTS WILL BE CONNECTED TO THE PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM OF ELDRIDGE.
- AN UNDERGROUND UTILITY EASEMENT ACROSS THE FRONT OF ALL LOTS TO BE GRANTED TO THE CITY OF ELDRIDGE, IOWA AND TO OTHER PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES
- BLANKET UNDERGROUND EASEMENTS GRANTED TO RESPECTIVE UTILITY COMPANY FOR SEWER, WATER, GAS, ELECTRIC, TELEPHONE AND CABLE T.V. SERVICES TO INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURES WITHIN THE LOT WHERE THE STRUCTURE IS LOCATED. BLANKET EASEMENTS FOR STREET LIGHTING WITHIN THE SUBDIVISION.
- ALL IMPROVEMENTS TO BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LATEST CITY OF ELDRIDGE STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS.
- ALL DISTANCES SHOWN ARE IN FEET AND DECIMAL PARTS THEREOF.
- NO PART OF THE SUBDIVISION LIES WITHIN THE 1% ANNUAL CHANCE SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA AS SHOWN ON FEMA FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP #19163C0220G, EFFECTIVE DATE MARCH 23, 2021.
- PROPERTY IS ZONED C-3, GENERAL COMMERCIAL.

APPROVED BY:
CITY OF ELDRIDGE, IOWA

BY: _____
DATE: _____ ATTEST: _____

CITY PLAN & ZONE COMMISSION

BY: _____ DATE: _____

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY
APPROVED SUBJECT TO ENCUMBRANCES OF RECORD BY MIDAMERICAN

CITY OF ELDRIDGE
ELECTRIC & WATER UTILITY

CENTRAL SCOTT
TELEPHONE CO.

MEDIACOM

- Area of Subdivision -
Total: 6.529 Acres ± 284,400 S.F. ±
- Owner:
Randy Rosenow
PO Box 109
Eldridge, Ia 52748
- Surveyor:
Jerry D. Rogers
2224 East 12th Street
Davenport, Iowa 52803
Ph: (563) 386-4236
- Attorney:
Thomas M. Feeney
The Law Center
323 18th Street, Ste. 100
Rock Island, Illinois 61201

TOWNSEND ENGINEERING
CIVIL • STRUCTURAL • LAND DEVELOPMENT

DATE:
2/9/24

563 386.4236 office 386.4231 fax
2224 East 12th Street, Davenport, IA 52803

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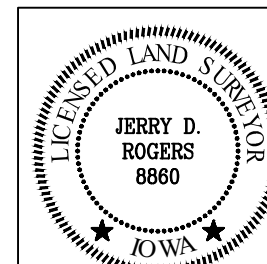
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I hereby certify that this land surveying document was prepared and the related survey work was performed by me or under my direct personal supervision and that I am a duly licensed Land Surveyor under the laws of the State of Iowa.

JERRY D. ROGERS
Iowa License Number: 8860
My license renewal date is December 31, 2025
Pages or sheets covered by this seal: 1