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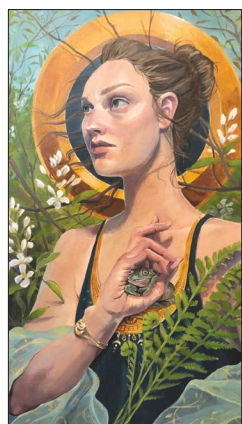
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PUBLIC NOTICE:

The city of Ramsey has amended the city code section dealing with massage therapy license requirements.

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Officer-involved shooting injures 1

By Emilee Wentland Staff Writer

A 26-year-old man is in stable condition after being shot by Coon Rapids police Monday, March 15. No officers were injured in the incident.

According to the Coon

Rapids Police Department, officers responded to a call around 4:30 p.m. March 15 regarding a man with a gun in his waistband who was experiencing mental health issues. The caller was a relative concerned the man could be a threat.

Officers found the man walking north of Hanson Boulevard but lost track of him as he headed toward the 12300 block of Drake Street. He was later found in the area, according to police.

When officers allegedly saw he had a gun in

his hand, they tried to de-escalate the situation by talking to him, but the man didn't drop his weapon, according to police.

Officers used a "less-than-lethal" bean bag shotgun around 4:43 p.m., hitting the man with several rounds, but the man was

still holding the gun and walking away, according to police.

Officers attempted to negotiate again, but to no avail. They deployed a second bean bag shotgun around 4:49 p.m., but

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NEW HEIGHTS FOR CHARITY

Oak Grove man to climb Everest to raise money for Firefighters for Healing

By Jonathan Young Managing Editor

Minneapolis Fire Capt. Scott Coffey was on scene at a 2010 house fire when a backdraft explosion blew fellow firefighter Jake LaFerriere across a room, leaving him with severe burns and ending his career.

Coffey never forgot the trauma of that day, but he also found inspiration in the way LaFerriere moved forward after his recovery and launched Firefighters for Healing, a non-profit that supports burn victims and first responders.

Now Coffey, an Oak Grove

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Scott Coffey, a Minneapolis fire captain from Oak Grove, will attempt to summit Mount Everest to raise money for Firefighters for Healing. Photo submitted

Against legal advice, Ramsey council votes not to enforce mask mandate

By Emilee Wentland Staff Writer

The Ramsey City Council approved a measure March 9 to prohibit the use of city resources to enforce Gov. Tim Walz's mask mandate and "any other orders that infringe on people's constitutionally protected rights, especially as it related to COVID-19."

The resolution, brought by Council Members Chelsea Howell and Ryan Heine, was approved in a 4-3 vote. Mayor Mark Kuzma and Council Members Chris Riley and Matt Woestehoff dissented.

The resolution says Walz's mask mandate has "broadly undermined the basic human rights of our neighbors, our families and ourselves."

The measure passed despite City Attorney Joe Langel's vocal disapproval.

"If the council were to approve anything like this, you'd put yourself in a position where you're contradicting

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Coon Rapids Famous Dave's will be first 'Quick Que'

By Emilee Wentland Staff Writer

Famous Dave's in Coon Rapids is returning with a new look, and residents will see the results this September.

The location will be the first to offer a line-service, cafeteria-style dining experience, dubbed "Quick Que."

"It's the same great food, only quicker," Famous Dave's CEO Jeff Crivello said.

Customers are expected to wait less than three minutes for their meals.

The new fast-service



Famous Dave's in Coon Rapids is being rebuilt as a "Quick Que" location with cafeteria-style dining. It will be in a three-tenant building at the same location as the former restaurant.

Rendering courtesy of Famous Dave's

model will be similar to Chipotle or Subway, in that customers can select what they want from what

they see in front of them. Guests can select from a variety of meats, sides and beverages, Crivello

said. "It's not 100% the same menu items, but there will

be all the legendary favorites," Crivello said.

The old Famous Dave's at 3211 Northdale Blvd. NW was remodeled in 2018 but then torn down last year to be replaced by a multi-tenant building with a bank, the new Famous Dave's and a still-to-be-determined commercial use space.

"We're excited to bring the same great food back to Coon Rapids," Crivello said.

A traffic signal recently became functional at Northdale Boulevard Northwest by the

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