

Backers of a plan to allow police to write tickets for marijuana possession picked up one vote on the city council, but still fell short of overriding a mayoral veto this week. The plan would have made it possible but not necessary for cops to write a ticket for up to 25 grams. City council member Chris Olson, who authored the proposal, says it just gets the city up to speed with other communities. But several other council members said the idea sent a message of drug tolerance. Council members also sustained a mayoral veto of a proposal that would have added 25 dollars to the expense account of each council member to offset the cost of a home internet connection.