CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

Mach 06, 2017 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Schottke at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 4035 Broadway.

After a moment of silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance, roll was called and the following members were present:

Steve Bennett *Steve Robinette* *Roby Schottke* *Jeff Davis* *Ted Berry*

1. Mr. Bennett moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Robinette.

Mr. Robinette	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Schottke	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

2. President Schottke recognized Mr. Steve Jackson, G.C. Historical Commission, who provided Council with an annual report. He shared that they want to make the City a Historical destination, as historical sites are a large reason why people travel to a community. Council asked about any requesting funds. Mr. Jackson said they are sufficiently funded, for now.

President Schottke then recognized Mike Bradley, COTA, who provided an update to their NextGen2050 project. He said they want to take in every community's plan and use it to address the Region's needs. He explained that High Capacity Transit corridors must have high density industries to make them work. He said there are only three areas that may be ready today. He shared what they heard about Grove City as part of the survey and the need in this area. He said they have expanded some services with busses. Soon they will have an "AP" to show "real time" on where busses are located. He said they are looking at ways to better connect the first mile/last mile with smart technology/transportation. This information tells them what areas may be ready. At the end of the Plan, they will identify ways to fund improvements. He said COTA won't choose - the communities will choose how to improve their transit needs. Mr. Berry said he feels COTA hasn't given Grove City proper attention based on his constituent's questions to him. He asked COTA to look at this community again. Mr. Bradley said we all have to work together. Mr. Berry said he doesn't know how to answer people when they ask why we aren't looking at the existing rail line. Mr. Bradley said with rail, you need density. It comes down to capacity, reliability and safety for railroad. He offered to sit down with Mr. Berry and review all the details. He said one thing we can do, is preserve the rail line now so it can be used in the future.

3. The Chair read the agenda items and they were approved by unanimous consent.

The Chair recognized Mr. Davis, Chairman of Finance, for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Ordinance C-07-17 (Appropriate $2,000,000.00 from the Water and Sewer Funds for the Current Expense of the Construction to provide water and sewer services on Stringtown Road) was given its second reading and public hearing.

   Mr. Rauch, Dir. of Dev; provided an overview of the Ohio Health Development and the TIF agreement for the Project.

   There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Davis moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Schottke.

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Schottke	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Robinette	Yes

2. Ordinance C-08-17 (Appropriate $103,303.08 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Purchasing and Installing an Accessible Playground and other related improvements for the Dream Field at Windsor Park) was given its second reading and public hearing.

   Ms. Kim Conrad, Dir. of Parks and Rec., explained the project. She said they are well within the budget that includes a $500,000.00 grant.

   There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Davis moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Bennett.

Mr. Schottke	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Robinette	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

3. Ordinance C-09-17 (Declare the Improvement of Certain Parcels located along Stringtown Road to be a Public Purpose and Exempt from Taxation; providing for the Collection and Deposit of Service Payments and specifying the purposes for which those service payments may be expended; Authorizing Make-Whole Compensation Payments to the South Western City School District; and Authorizing the Execution of a Tax Increment Financing Agreement and an Economic Development Agreement with OhioHealth Corporation) was given its second reading and public hearing.

   There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Davis moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Robinette.

Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Robinette	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Schottke	Yes

4. Ordinance C-11-17 (Amend Section 161.10 of the Codified Ordinances titled Employee Status, Number of Employees per Department, Pay Grades) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on March 20, 2017.

   Mr. Boso, City Admin; explained the three adjustments for employees in the City.

The Chair recognized Mr. Robinette, Chairman of Safety, took the floor for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Resolution CR-05-17 (Waive the provisions of Section 529.07(b)3 of the Codified Ordinances for the Wine and Arts Festival on June 16 – 17, 2017 in the Town Center) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Andy Furr, Director of Town Center Inc., said they are excited to expand this event to two days and offered to answer any questions.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Robinette moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Davis.

Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Robinette	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Schottke	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes

The Chair recognized Mr. Berry, Chairman of Service, took the floor for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Resolution CR-06-17 (Declaring the Necessity of Constructing certain sidewalks on Barbee Avenue, Carol Avenue, Irwin Avenue, Louise Avenue, Sheldon Place and Terry Lane and requiring that abutting Property Owners construct same) was given its reading and public hearing.

Ms. Cindi Fitzpatrick, Director of Service, explained this is the next piece needed to implement the 2017 sidewalk program.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Berry moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Davis.

Mr. Robinette	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Schottke	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes

The Chair recognized Mr. Bennett, Chairman of Lands, took the floor for discussion and voting under said Committee.

1. Ordinance C-10-17 (Approve a Special Use Permit for a Drive-thru for Brew Thru located at 3188 Southwest Blvd.) was given its second reading and public hearing.

There being no representation, Mr. Schottke commented that he has many concerns over this property. He said there is a lack of maintenance by the land owner and allowing it to be an eyesore. He said they have been operating without a Special Use Permit and hopes that is not allowed to continue.

Mayor Stage said this is a blighted property. They have tried to work with the property owner for 20 years. With the property owner not showing up, he believes that gives Council an answer.

Mr. Boso said since the last Council meeting, staff has had some discussion with the Property Owner. They believe the business itself has changed hands. He said it was their understanding that the property owner would be here this evening and since he is not, it gives Council an indication of the lack of cooperation. Mr. Boso recommended denial of this Permit.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Bennett moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Schottke.

Mr. Bennett	No
Mr. Schottke	No
Mr. Davis	No
Mr. Berry	No
Mr. Robinette	No

The Chair asked that any new business to be brought before the attention of Council be done so at this time.

1. Mr. Robinette announced that Liquor Permits have a new procedure and Council will address these under New Business. The Administration will provide a summary of any violations and will make a recommendation.

President Schottke announced that there is one Permit for tonight for Chipotle on S.R. 665. Mr. Boso said this is a new location and a new building, so there are no violations or objections. Chief Pierson concurred. Council indicated they would not request a hearing.

2 Mr. Tim Keck, Chair of G.C. Charter Review Task Force, provided Council with a copy of their report. He highlighted the review and changes the Task Force have recommended and offered to meet with Council in a special session, if they desired to provide a more detailed review of their assessment. President Schottke thanked the Task Force. He said Council will review the material and hopes to have a meeting with the Task Force in April & perhaps again in May to continue the process.

The Chair recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.

1. Mayor Stage stated he will be testifying against centralized tax collection and the elimination of the throw back provision. Mr. Schottke moved to support the Mayor's testimony; seconded by Mr. Bennett.

Mr. Schottke	Yes
Mr. Davis	Yes
Mr. Berry	Yes
Mr. Robinette	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

Mayor Stage announced the passing of Ray Rouff and former Mayor Mike Brandt's wife.

2. It was announced that Council will meet with the G.C. 2050 Consultant in a workshop on Saturday, 3/11/17 at 8:00 a.m. in City Hall Council Chambers.

3. After comments from Council and Administrative staff members, a motion to adjourn was approved by unanimous consent.

Council adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Tami K. Kelly

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Clerk of Council

Roby Schottke

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Chair

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL CAUCUS NOTES

March 06, 2017

Council met at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Caucus Room, City Hall, 4035 Broadway.

Council Members reviewed the Agenda items.

President Schottke reviewed the Administration's new procedure for Liquor Permits. Ms. Kelly, Clerk of Council, reviewed the Liquor Permit request from Chipolte with Council and the administration had no objections as this is a new building at a new location.

Council retired to the Chambers to begin the Regular meeting.

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Chair