CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Bennett, at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 4035 Broadway.

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

Chris Fulton Vaughn Radi Steve Bennett Maria Klemack

1. Mr. Fulton moved to excuse Mr. Eversman; seconded by Mr. Radi

Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes

2. President Bennett read the agenda items and they were approved by unanimous consent.

The Chair recognized Mr. Radi, Chairman of the Lands & Zoning Committee, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-71-01 (Rezone 116. acres located East of I-71 and South of Stringtown Road (Younkin) from SF-1 to PUD-C and PUD-R) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Don Plank, attorney for petitioner, was present. He explained that this request is for the 116± acres located on the south side of Stringtown Road; with 65± acres zoned PUD-C and 55± acres zoned PUD-R. Mr. Radi read the stipulations set by Planning Commission. Mr. Plank agreed to all and said some were complete and others are being worked on, like providing more detailed information on deed restrictions - which will be part of the Development Plan. Mr. Radi commented that they have been provided with "replacement" Zoning Text, dated 11/16/01 and asked Mr. Plank if this was correct. Mr. Plank said yes. Mr. Radi asked what the changes were. Mr. Plank said there were some acreage modifications. Mr. Radi asked Mr. Stage (City Admin.) if all was acceptable with the Administration. Mr. Stage said they are comfortable with the Zoning Text. He wanted to make sure that as the City needs right-of-way for Buckeye Parkway, Stringtown Road, and White Road, as it impacts this 116 acres, the right-of-way required will be provided at no cost. Mr. Plank indicated that they are in the process of a TIFF Agreement and a provision that right-of-way will be provided at no cost will be one of the provisions in it.

Mr. Radi moved that the Zoning Text be replaced with that dated November 16, 2001; seconded by President Bennett.

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes

Mr. Fulton asked if the documents received, thus far, for deed restrictions, etc. satisfied the Administration. Mr. Stage said yes.

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

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes

2. Ordinance C-77-01 (Accept the Annexation of 26.0+ acres located at the northeast corner of Demorest Road and Big Run South Road) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Jack Reynolds, attorney for petitioner, was present to answer any questions. He said they look forward to developing the site in the City.

There being no additional questions or comments, Mr. Radi moved it be approved; seconded by Ms. Klemack.

Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

3. Ordinance C-78-01 (Accept the Annexation of 0.749+ acres located on the South side of Casa Blvd. and West of Haughn Road) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Joe Hull, attorney for petitioner, explained that these are two vacant lots requesting annexation that may need rezoning down the road, depending upon the development of the lots. Mr. Radi asked if the petitioner was all right with this. Mr. Hull said yes. Mr. Stage commented that the Services Resolution states that water and sewer will be available upon the extension of those lines, at the property owner's expense. He wanted it noted that the water line is 750' away and the sewer line is 70' away. Mr. Hull said they were already aware of this and they understood. They have already spoken with Franklin County about installing a well for water service.

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

Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes

4. Ordinance C-81-01 (Accept the Plat of Hoover Crossing, Section 8) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. John Lind, representative for builder, was present to answer any questions. Mr. Fulton asked what the price range of homes would be. Mr. Lind stated that there are no significant changes in the area and the prices will remain comparable to the price range now. Mr. Stage stated that prices currently range from $180,000 – up.

There being no questions or comments, Mr. Radi moved it be approved; seconded by Ms. Klemack.

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes

5. Ordinance C-83-01 (Authorize the City Administrator to Execute a Deed to Thomas R. Clark, Trustee to secure a Tax Parcel for a Certain Parcel of Real Estate presently used by the City for Road Right-of-Way) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on December 3, 2001.

6. Ordinance C-84-01 (Authorize the City Administrator to Accept the Transfer of Lot 19 Walden Bluffs Subdivision located at the end of Harrisburg Station Lane) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on December 3, 2001.

The Chair recognized Ms. Klemack, Chairman of the Safety Committee, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-85-01 (Renumber the Sign Chapters of the Codified Ordinances currently known as 1322 and 1323 and Make Various Amendments thereto) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on December 03, 2001.

The Chair recognized Mr. Fulton, in the absence of Mr. Eversman, Chairman of the Finance Committee, for discussion and voting of legislative agenda items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-82-01 (Appropriate $250,000.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Storm Water Management) was given its second reading and public hearing.

   Mr. Stage explained that this is for the area bound by the Methodist Church on Haughn Road. This area floods when we have a 20-year rainfall and the problem has existed for some time. This will upgrade an existing line and re-navigate the water into the proper channel. Mr. Fulton confirmed that all the improvements would be done within the corporation limits of the City. Mr. Stage said yes.

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

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Ms. Klemack	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes

2. Ordinance C-86-01 (Appropriate $150,000.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of School Signal Installation) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on December 03, 2001.

3. Ordinance C-87-01 (Appropriate $5,000.00 from the Senior Nutrition Fund for the Current Expense of the Meals on Wheels Program) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on December 03, 2001.

4. Ordinance C-88-01 (Appropriate $75,000.00 from the COPS FAST Grant Fund for the Current Expense of Reimbursement to the General Fund) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on December 03, 2001.

5. Ordinance C-89-01 (Appropriate $14,962.00 from the General Fund for the Current Expense of Vehicle Replacement) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on December 03, 2001.

6. Ordinance C-90-01 (Appropriate $40,400.00 from the Sewer Fund for the Current Expense of Reimbursing the City of Columbus for Tap Fees collected) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on December 03, 2001.

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

There being no new business, President Bennett recognized members of Administration and Council for closing comments.

1. The Mayor reported on various projects and events. She acknowledged the wreaths in the Display Case in the Lobby that were created by the students at J.C. Sommer Elementary School for the Wreath of Remembrance Day.

2. Mr. Stage reported on the Sidewalk Lawsuit, stating that the City has offered the plaintiff a settlement and this was being reviewed. President Bennett asked if there was any personal economic benefit for one person or if the intent was just to get ramps corrected in the City. Mr. Stage said it was a class-action suit and he believes the procedure is that the attorneys will take their fees from any award and then the remainder would be split by those named as plaintiffs in the suit.

3. Mr. Blackburn introduced Mr. Dan Snyder, the new Urban Forester and requested that his Oath of Office be administered. Mayor Grossman issued the Oath and noted that Mr. Snyder has worked for Disney World in the past.

4. President Bennett presented Maria with a Resolution and flowers from Council in recognition of her 40th Anniversary of immigrating to the United States, along with a Hershey Bar - which was the first item she received when she came here.

5. Ms. Klemack read a statement reflecting on her freedom, citizenship and her service to this Country and this city, which she loves. She said she is only one, but she is one and she will do her best to do what she believes is the right thing. She also commented on the service of our Armed Forces and their core values, which relate to working for the people as Council Members, which are: integrity first, excellence in all we do, and service before self. Mr. Fulton commented on how much time Council and the Administration puts into speaking with developers on projects. He also believes that representatives appearing on legislation should be better informed about the project, so they can answer any questions Council may have.

6. President Bennett responded to a note that was sent to Council regarding a news article about exterior changes and found it hilarious that Council considers issues with brick color when they approved the changes to the old Gottleib's building. He explained that Council had nothing to do with those changes. They approved Gottleib's. This was one of the issues the precipitated Chapter 1143. He then read a letter from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks announcing that Tami Kelly (Clerk of Council) has received enough points to achieve her Second Sustaining Level in the Master Municipal Clerks Academy. He also announced a Special Meeting of Council for Monday, November 26, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. for the purposes of preliminary budget review. Congratulations were given to Ms. Klemack, Mr. Snyder, Ms. Kelly and everyone was wished a Happy Thanksgiving.

7. After additional comments from Council and other Administrative staff members, a motion was made to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Tami K. Kelly

Tami K. Kelly, CMC/AAE
Clerk of Council

Steven M. Bennett
President