

CITY OF GROVEPORT  
REPORT TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL

November 24, 2014

**ADMINISTRATION – Marsha Hall**

- Legislation

**Ord. 14-041 Water Contract with City of Columbus** – Third reading of this ordinance was postponed at the October 14<sup>th</sup> Council meeting until November 24. We are still reviewing the changes being requested by Columbus from our current contract. We are requesting that you once again postpone this ordinance until the December 15 Council meeting.

**Ord. 14-043 Use Variance requested by Eastside Athletics** – application has been withdrawn.

**Ord. 14-058 Seek Requests for Qualifications from engineering firms** – *Line item for Engineering Contract Services in the 2015 Appropriations is \$115,000. This is a reduction from 2014 Appropriations, which was \$125,000. This line item will be used for such things studies, design services, GIS information, etc. The process will be to advertise for qualifications, select firms we believe have an expertise in various fields (water, infrastructure, inspection services), then negotiate with the firm(s) for set charges **should we ever need their services.***

**Emergency ordinance prohibiting parking on the hydrant side of Dorchester St.** – We received a complaint from a resident of Dorchester of a neighbor parking on the hydrant side along Dorchester. The Public Works Supt. was under the understanding that all of Dorchester should prohibit parking on the hydrant side and erected no parking signs. The neighbor came in to complain about the signs.

Upon review, what exists is actually that our codified ordinance prohibits parking on the hydrant side of the street in Elmont Place, Section 1. The attached map shows the section of Dorchester included in Section 1. That area has signs prohibiting parking. We have no ordinance prohibiting parking on the hydrant side of Dorchester for Section 3.

According to our current subdivision regulations, new streets within the city which are 26 ft. or less in pavement width must prohibit parking on the hydrant side. Dorchester is 32 ft. in pavement width.

In order to determine how Dorchester St. should be treated, we looked at two things. First, we looked at how other collector streets of 32 ft. pavement width within the subdivisions are handled. Elmont Place, Hickory Grove Circle, and Founders Bend Dr. are all 32 pavement width streets and all prohibit parking on the hydrant side per their plats. Second, I discussed this with Madison Fire Chief Bates. He indicated that their trucks are nine (9) feet wide with all doors shut so if parking is permitted on both sides of the street, this would be a problem on 32 ft. wide streets.

I informed the neighbor who parks on the street that our recommendation to Council is based on the above two factors.

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- Holiday  
The office will be closed November 27 and 28 in observance of Thanksgiving.
- Performance Evaluations  
I have provided all of you with performance evaluation forms for the Clerk of Council and myself. If you plan on completing them, please complete and return them no later than Dec.2.

Meetings Attended:

Nov. 18        Social Media possibilities  
Nov. 19        Golf Course Improvements  
Nov. 20        Civic Engagement Webinar

Upcoming Meetings:

Dec. 2        MORPC here for annual catch-up  
Dec. 3        To Eddie Bauer with Jeff Green to meet new executive  
Dec. 4        OML Board