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City Administrator Report to Council
City Council
BJ King, City Administrator
January 11, 2021

Administrative Items

Central Ohio Mayors & Managers Association (COMMA)

Mayor Westcamp and I were asked to join the Central Ohio Mayors & Managers Association (COMMA) to represent the City of Groveport. COMMA is an organization comprised of Mayors and City Managers/Administrators from Central Ohio communities. Other member cities include Dublin, Reynoldsburg, Canal Winchester, New Albany, Westerville, etc...COMMA members meet monthly to discuss current issues, share information, and receive updates on pending items under consideration by the State of Ohio legislature. I appreciate the opportunity to represent Groveport in the COMMA organization.

Legislation

Ord. 2021-001- Enact collection of additional \$5.00 from vehicle registration fees

Legislation to enact an additional \$5.00 motor vehicle registration fee was presented to Council for consideration in March of 2020. At that time, the decision was made to postpone legislation regarding the fee due to the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic and the potential financial hardship it could cause. The additional \$5.00 vehicle registration fee was passed by the State of Ohio Legislature as part of House Bill 62. Estimates provided by MORPC show that Groveport could collect an additional \$59,000 if this tax was to be levied.

Ord. 2021-002 – Amendment to City’s Storm water Code

Approval of this ordinance would update the City’s Stormwater Management Code, to establish a maximum width for stream corridor protection zones. The current code has no maximum width for stream corridor protection zones. The absence of a maximum size could become overly restrictive for the development of property (i.e. a large portion of the property could become a stream corridor protection zone resulting in it being undevelopable). Many other cities have codes that cap the size of stream corridor protection zones. This code amendment would establish 250’ being the maximum width of a stream corridor protection zone.

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Ord.2021-003 – General Engineering Services Request for Qualifications

The City routinely contracts with engineering firms for various services, studies, and projects. To have a list of engineers to choose from, the City has a list of pre-qualified firms. The pre-qualified list of engineering firms was last updated in 2014. Approval of this ordinance would authorize the City Administrator to solicit qualification statements from engineers in order to create an updated list of pre-qualified firms.

Attended Meetings and Events

- January 6 – Managers & Directors bi-weekly meeting
- January 6 – Development update meeting
- January 7 – FC Health Department Covid-19 weekly update

Upcoming Meetings and Events

- January 11 – Trees & Decorations Committee
- January 11 – Public Hearing
- January 11 – City Council
- January 14 –MORPC Commission monthly meeting

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