

**GROVE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 21, 2023
4:30PM**

The Grove City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at 4:30 PM with Mayor Ed Trumbull presiding. Members present were Steven Thomas, Marty Dyer, and Ivan Devitt. Member Andy Stewart was absent. Also present was City Manager, Debbie Bottoroff; City Attorney, Darren Cook; Public Works Director, Deric Douthit; City Treasurer, Lisa Allred; and Municipal Clerk Laura Davila.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

At 4:35 PM Devitt made the motion to open a Public Hearing to take public comments regarding a Re-Zoning Application submitted by Quinton Dodd to re-zone property (2 lots) located on the west side of S. Broadway Street and on the north side of State Park Road from C-1 Convenience Commercial District to R-3 Multiple Family Residential District. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried. Owner Quinton Dodd was present at the meeting and respectfully addressed the council requesting the property be re-zoned from C-1 Convenience Commercial District to R-3 Multiple Family Residential District. Dodd added that the property currently buds up to current residentially zoned property, and that it would be more beneficial to re-zone as residential.

At 4:35 PM Devitt made the motion to close the Public Hearing. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for Discussion and/or Action with Respect to Approval of an Ordinance approving the Re-zone Request from Quinton Dodd as discussed in the Public Hearing in Agenda Item 1 above. Devitt made to approve and Ordinance approving the Re-Zone Request as discussed in Public Hearing in Agenda Item 1 above. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

At 4:38 PM Devitt made the motion to Open a Public Hearing to take public comments regarding a Re-Zoning Application submitted by Tim Lucas to re-zone property (4 lots) located on the west side of S. Broadway Street between State Park Road and 21st Street from C-1 Convenience Commercial District to R-3 Multiple Family Residential District. Owner Tim Lucas was present and respectfully addressed the council requesting the property to be rezoned from C-1 Convenience Commercial District to R-3 Multiple Family Residential District. Lucas added that his property is next to Mr. Dodd's property that he requested to be rezoned, and his reasoning is the same as Mr. Dodd's.

At 4:39 PM Devitt made the motion to close the Public Hearing. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for Discussion and/or Action with Respect to Approval of an Ordinance approving the Re-zone Request from Tim Lucas as discussed in the Public Hearing in Agenda Item 2 above. Devitt made the motion of approve of an Ordinance approving the Re-zone Request from Tim Lucas as discussed in the Public Hearing in Agenda Item 2 above. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

At 4:40 PM Devitt made the motion to Open a Public Hearing to take public comments regarding a Re-Zoning Application submitted by Janey Gray to re-zone property located at 2300 Sumac Road AND Parcel ID #210036841 on the south side across Heffelman Drive from R-2 Two-Family Residential District to C-3 Highway Commercial and Commercial Recreational District. Owner Janey Gray was present and respectfully addressed the council reporting that the property is currently zoned R-1 Two-Family residential district, but it had previously been C-3 in the past. She added that the property is next to Lowe's and would like to have it re-zoned to C-3 Highway Commercial and Commercial Recreational District.

At 4:41 PM Devitt made the motion to close the Public Hearing. Seconded Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for Discussion with Respect to Sending the Re-zone Request from Janey Gray discussed in the Public Hearing in Agenda Item 3 above, back to the Planning and Zoning Commission for review and reconsideration. Devitt made the motion to send the Re-zone request from Janey Gray discussed in the Public Hearing in Agenda Item 3 above, back to the Planning and

Zoning commission for review and reconsideration. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Devitt made the motion to Approve the Minutes from the November 7, 2023 Regular Meeting. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve the Minutes from the November 15, 2023 Special Meeting. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Thomas made the motion to approve the Purchase Order Register. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for Discussion with Respect to the Approval of a Re-Plat Application submitted by Bryan and Cindy Walker for construction of twenty-two (22) Duplexes located in Baycrest Village on Lot 64 and Lot 65 Baycrest Avenue & West Ninth Street, Grove, OK. Steve Williams was present and addressed the council that the Re-Plat is for the construction of more duplexes. Devitt made the motion to approve the re-plat application submitted by Bryan and Cindy Walker. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for Discussion with Respect to Approval of a Letter of Intent with Emblem Strategies to obtain Grant or Scholarship Funding for the Wolf Creek Park Event Center. Staff reported that they have met with representatives of Emblem Strategies on numerous occasions to discuss funding options for the Wolf Creek Park Event Center. Shawna McWaters was present and entertained questions from the Council. Emblem Strategies, LLC has the expertise in securing grant funding and sponsorship funding for projects similar to the Wolf Creek Park Event Center. Devitt made the motion to approve the letter of intent with Emblem Strategies. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for Discussion with Respect to Approval of the 2024 Annual Capital Improvement Plan for the Grove Regional Airport. Lisa Jewett was present and provided an update for the budget. Jewett reported that a study for \$40,000 funded 100% by the city, was proposed, and this no longer needed/desired. Jewett and Garver Representative entertained questions, comments, and concerns from the Council and staff. At the end of the discussion the Council agreed to table this item for a future meeting with no action taken.

Trumbull opened the floor for Discussion with Respect to First Amendment to the Independent Contractor and License Agreement between the City of Grove and Tri-State Family YMCA to Manage and Operate the City Pool. Bottoroff reported the changes are as follows:

- ✓ Added Service, the pool will open the second Monday of June each year for local day cares and schools' swim lessons;
- ✓ End season early due to lifeguards returning to school, the last day the pool is open for the season will be the first Saturday of August each year;
- ✓ Increase daily admission cost, the daily admission for patrons over 3 years of age will increase from \$4 to \$5, 3 years of age and under will continue to swim for FREE.

Dyer made the motion to approve the First Amendment to the Independent Contractor and License Agree with the YMCA. Seconded by Devitt. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for Discussion with Respect to Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Project Maintenance Agreement between the City of Grove and the Department of Transportation of the State of Oklahoma regarding certain Traffic Improvements on US Highway 59 in Downtown Grove. Bottoroff reported that the City of Grove was awarded a Community Challenge grant through AARP for traffic improvements in downtown Grove. Devitt made the motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the execution of a Project Maintenance Agreement between the City of Grove and The Department of Transportation of the State of Oklahoma. Seconded by Dyer. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

Trumbull opened the floor for Discussion with Respect to fill an unexpired term (09/30/2026) on the Grove Municipal Services Authority (GMSA) Trust. Trumbull nominated Justin Wadley to fill an unexpired term (09/30/2026) on the Grove Municipal Services Authority (GMSA) Trust. Dyer seconded the nomination. Nomination ceased. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.

STAFF REPORTS:

Bottoroff reported that ODOT approved repairing the bridge on E O'Daniel funded 100%, and that staff would have a resolution for the next city council meeting.

Bottoroff also reported that FEMA approved recovery funds in the amount of \$101,716 for the debris cleanup from the storm during the summer of 2023.

WARD REPORTS:

Trumbull expresses his gratitude to the staff and council for all the accomplishments and improvements that have been made throughout the years.

Thomas wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Thomas also asked if there has been any type of study or communication done on the intersection of E O'Daniel and Broadway intersection. Thomas reported that he has seen many close calls in that area and that a 4-Way stop, or Flashing Caution light would be beneficial to that intersection.

Dyer expressed his agreement with Trumbull's comments. Dyer praised the leadership of the city. He added that the council and staff have a good foundation of trust and always put the best interests of the city and community first.

Devitt expressed his agreement with what the other members reported. He expressed his appreciation for the Public Works Director, Deric Douthit and all he has contributed with his time with the City.

At 5:19 PM Devitt made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Thomas. AYE: Thomas, Dyer, Devitt, Trumbull. NAY: None. Motion Carried.