

CITY OF GROVE CITY, OHIO
COUNCIL MINUTES

August 17, 1998

Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of Council was called to order by President Milovich 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:

Vaughn Radi Steve Bennett Mike Milovich "Budd" Eversman Chris Fulton

1. President Milovich recognized Mayor Grossman for a presentation. The Mayor recognized the Grove City Tornado's, 12 year old, Travel Baseball Team; and the Grove City Hurricanes, 11 year old, Travel Baseball Team for their great seasons this year. The Tornado's placed in the top 16, out of 45, at the Cooperstown, NY tournament; and the Hurricanes were Division winners at a Cincinnati Tournament and placed 3rd in the State. Each team received a proclamation.
2. President Milovich recognized Mr. Sapperstein, Sapperstein & Associates, who reported on this year's Resident Attitude Survey. He reviewed the methodology for conducting the survey; the demographics of the city; the questions asked, which included the following topics: As a Place to Live; Public Services; Parks & Recreation; Community Guide; Capital Improvements; South-Western City Schools; Library; and Retail Opportunities. Mr. Sapperstein concluded that residents, overall, are satisfied with the city as a nice place to live. He suggested that City officials renew their efforts to be sensitive to residents; monitor development; move ahead with the building of a Community Center at Fryer Park; and attract casual dining places. A copy of this Survey is on file with the Clerk of Council.
3. Mr. Bennett moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes for the previous meeting and approve as written; seconded by Mr. Radi.

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes

4. Mr. Eversman moved to change the order of the Committees on the Agenda to the following: Service, Lands, Finance; seconded by Mr. Bennett.

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes

President Milovich read the agenda items, in the amended order, and they were approved by unanimous consent.

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

1. Ordinance C-63-98 (Authorize the City Administrator to enter into an Agreement with Time Warner Communications for City Internet Access) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on September 08, 1998.

Mr. Hurley, Info. Systems Supervisor, commented that Time Warner has unveiled their Roadrunner service in our area and this request for a two (2) year contract will save the City \$1,800.00 over the term of the Agreement.

2. Resolution CR-72-98 (Name the Proposed Swimming Facility at Evans Park) was given its reading and public hearing.

Ms. Schlagheck explained that they have been working with Water Technologies to plan the pool. They are working in tiers and she is responsible for marketing it and she needs a name to market. Jackson Township, Water Technologies and the City's team were all a part of coming up with the name of "The Big Splash at Evans Park". It is a community pool, with Jackson Township and School District partnerships. They wanted a name that would add excitement to the pool and provide for a fun identity.

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

Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

3. Mr. Fulton moved to remove Resolution CR-67-98 from the Table and add it to the Agenda; seconded by Mr. Bennett.

Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes

Mr. Fulton moved to amend Res. CR-67-98 by substitution of Res. CR-67a-98; seconded by Mr. Radi.

Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes

Resolution CR-67a-98 (Support the Education of the Students of Grove City, Ohio and the South-Western City School District) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Fulton read this resolution in full and called for discussion.

Dr. R. Kirk Hamilton, Superintendent of SWCS, commented that he appreciates the interest and support shown. He also appreciates the time Council and the Mayor took to discuss this issue and its impact on Grove City. He said they value neighborhood schools and have a history of trying to place children in the school geographically close to their homes. He said they will continue to work hard to make the impact of the new buildings a positive one on the District and on the City of Grove City. They will also work together with local government - City of Grove City, Jackson Township, Prairie Township, City of Columbus, etc. - with the business leaders, parents and concerned citizens, as they establish new attendance area boundaries, so they can meet the needs and best serve the students of the school District, as well as the students in Grove City. As demonstrated in the Community Survey tonight, there is a real concern for SWCS by the residents of Grove City. It is their intent to make this Bond Issue a major initiative and provide the opportunity for our students to attend school in appropriate/adequate spaces, helping to alleviate some of the residents concerns. He thanked Council for their support and consideration.

Mr. Steven Carr, resident, thanked the Mayor and Council for investigating the Bond and related issues of potential land purchases and the fourth high school attendance area. He also thanked the School District officials for meeting with him and sharing information. He is encouraged by Dr. Hamilton's comments tonight. He hopes that the District Officials are guided, first and foremost, by the concept of community schools when it comes to purchasing land for additional schools and creating the fourth attendance area. They should also be guided by the principal that property values are maintained everywhere within the District. Attendance should be created around where strong community ties currently exist. Please play to our District's strength in this regard. He thanked Council and the Mayor for looking out for the best interests of the Grove City residents and SWCS.

Mayor Grossman asked Dr. Hamilton when split sessions will end if the Bond Issue passes. Dr. Hamilton said they don't have a definitive answer. The Board committed, earlier this year, to study that when the Bond passes and move off split sessions, in part or total, as soon as possible. He explained that without the passage of a Bond Issue, there is no back end to the cost of renting space. With the passage of a Bond Issue, they can place a back end on that and have a firm grasp of the costs involved. Thus, being able to study how to move off split sessions. They hope to minimize the duration and impact to the students and families.

At the request of President Milovich, Mr. Gary Leisure, SWCS Board President, introduced the other Board Members and Administrative Staff present.

There being no further discussion, Mr. Fulton moved it be approved; seconded by President Milovich.

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes

Mr. Bennett, Chairman of the Lands Committee, for discussion and voting of items under said committee.

1. Ordinance C-46-98 (Approve the Rezoning of the Northeast and Northwest corners of Relocated Hoover Road and State Route 665 from R-1 to PUD-C and SD-1) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Dan Schoedinger, attorney for Kroger, explained that this is a plan that has been developed for the good of, not only Kroger, but, the Buckeye Boys Ranch, the Jackson Township Fire Department, and the City as a whole. The requested rezoning consists of 10± acres in the northwest quadrant being SD-1 for future expansion of the Buckeye Ranch and 25± acres PUD-C for the Shopping Center. The Development Plan has Text that makes commitments above Code requirements. They have also made commitments to Jackson Township in return for a shared drive, at S.R. 665. The Text limits the types of uses for Outlets 4 & 5 (parcel between relocated Hoover Rd. and old Hoover Rd.) and prohibits curb cuts on to S.R. 665 for these outlots. He showed a color rendering of the Center, noting the brick front and standing seam metal roof. He commented that the Gasoline Station will also be brick, with brick canopy columns, to match the Center. The sign for the main entrance will also have brick and architectural features to match the shopping center. With regard to landscaping, the amount of trees required by the Code are there. They have concentrated them toward the street side to provide closer parking to the stores and give a better visual effect at the street. In addition to the plan itself, a Traffic Study was completed, showing all the City's Consulting Engineer's requirements. Traffic was studied for the year 2008; it projects the traffic increases, for background traffic, forward at a 4% rate over the ten years; it adds in the traffic volumes for the shopping center and outlots. With all that, the level of services for all the intersections, function in a very good way and is described as "free flow". There will be one traffic light installed at Hoover Rd. & Quail Creek Blvd., and one emergency light on S.R. 665 for the Fire Station.

Mr. Schoedinger spoke to the Special Use Permit for the Filling Station. He said this is solely a filling station. There will be no convenience store, car wash, auto repairs, etc. It consists of pump islands, under a canopy, with a small kiosk for the attendant. It will have brick pilasters to support the canopy and a brick building. There will be no curb cuts directly into and out of the Filling Station; there will be no outdoor sales, except for items found around the pump (i.e. oil, antifreeze); signage will adhere to the Code; canopy lights will be cut-off lights, so there is no bleeding beyond the immediate area. Based on all these factors, they feel strongly that it is not contrary to the public interest or injurious to nearby properties. In summary, he said they feel they have an extremely attractive development and provides for a need in the area. A number of Kroger Associates, who live in Grove City proper, stood to show their support.

President Milovich asked if the traffic lights would be installed at the time of development, at the expense of Kroger. Mr. Schoedinger said they would be installed at the time of development of the Shopping Center. The light at S.R. 665 will be paid entirely by Kroger. This light at Quail Creek Blvd. will be cost-shared by the City, since it services a public street on three sides. President Milovich asked about the emergency signal for the fire house. Mr. Schoedinger said that would be paid for by Kroger. President Milovich asked about the Reserve area for the Filling Station. Mr. Schoedinger said the expectation for this area is green space. If that would ever change, a development for that area would need approval.

Mr. Bill Ferguson, Quail Creek resident, spoke on behalf of the subdivision's Homeowner's Association. He said the Association is still upset by the fact that they were not involved in the initial discussions of this development. They object to the gas station and feel that type of business should be kept by I-71. He feels Hoover Road is inadequate and the turn lane is in the wrong spot. He said this area has been under petition twice, once in 1993 and again in 1997, to prohibit development on the northeast side of Hoover Road to keep commercial zoning away from their homes. People have moved from Dublin, Hilliard, etc. to get away from traffic congestion and doesn't feel this provides enough lane space. He feels Quail Creek Blvd. will become a race track and says there are a number of safety concerns. He said Kroger is a good company and feels they were misled by the City Administration.

Ms. Karie Beard, Quail Run Dr., explained that she is moving from the Reynoldsburg area and was greatly disappointed to learn of this development. This is what she is moving away from and requested it be stopped. She feels it is contrary to Grove City's past attempts to make this an up-scale community, through its bike path projects and stringent building codes. If the development is inevitable, she asked that no fuel station be allowed on Kroger's lot or any of the outlots. If reconstruction of Quail Creek Blvd. is necessary, she asked that the landscaping feature, currently in place, be maintained or replaced. She hopes that the businesses for the outlets be upscale, such as a Barnes & Noble Bookstore or 55 Restaurant. She said she hasn't closed on her home yet and has been accused of living in "Grove Tucky". She asked if this project will support that theory or prove it wrong. She hopes this project will be what ever is best for the homeowners and asked if it will make her proud to be a homeowner in Grove City.

Mr. Bill Drum, resident & Kroger Assoc., said as a long time resident he feels Grove City needs another shopping facility. He said he can't think of a better location for another Kroger store. There is a tremendous amount of growth in homes in the S.R. 104, S.R. 665 area. He said there isn't a week that goes by that his neighbor's in Briarwood Hills don't ask him when the new Kroger store is coming.

Ms. Joyce Nyswaner, Cayuga Ct., voiced support as a resident and Kroger Assoc. She said she has always been proud of the support Kroger shows our community. She said they now have a chance to further serve the community with a second store. It could improve the traffic on Hoover Rd. by reducing the traffic at the intersection of Hoover & Stringtown Rd. It would also increase employment opportunities. It would allow better service, reduced traffic and improve safety at the Stringtown Road store. As a resident of Indian Trails, her neighbors have shared their excitement about having a store close to their subdivision. She asked that in considering the rezoning for this development, please remember the benefits.

Mr. Les Bostic, Buxton Ln., said he has been a resident for 37 years, the Director of the Buckeye Ranch throughout those years, and a beneficiary of the great work/charity of the Kroger Company. He believes they are a leading giver in Central Ohio for the communities they are in. The work they have done to meet every condition that has been asked for to make this a wonderful location, speaks well for what we will see as the finished product. As a neighbor (Buckeye Ranch), they believe this represents an outstanding location for this store. Knowing the growth is projected for the southwest quadrant of the City, makes this something we do for, not just today, but, for years to come. The "Ranch" sees the partnership between the Kroger Co. and the Buckeye Ranch as very significant in years to come. They look forward to seeing "Ranch" youth being able to work at this location. He fully and totally supported the project.

Mr. Frank Petruziello, Skilkin Properties and builder of Center, explained that this is not a destination shopping center, where people travel to it to shop. It is a Service Center and designed to service the immediate area. The types of shops offered will not generate traffic from other areas, because people will not travel far for the type of services offered (i.e. video rental, beauty shop, etc.) He also doesn't believe there will be much more, in the way of commercial development for this area.

Mr. Larry Thomas, Jackson Township Trustee, said these plans have been reviewed, so the fire department will be well served. There are two roads: one for the fire trucks and one as a service road to the shopping center. There will not be a fire truck and car on the same road. He said this will improve their recycling center also. Secondly, he said his mother lives in the Quail Creek Condo's and she and her friends have been asking when this is going to get started. They are very supportive of this project.

Ms. Teri Walters, Quail Creek resident, voiced support for the project. As far as the gas station is concerned, she said she drives down S.R. 665 every morning and both gas stations at I-71 are very busy and feels another station is needed. As far as "Grove Tucky" is concerned, the only way we are going to loose that is to develop.

Mr. John MacKenzie, President of Original Indian Trails Residents Assoc., voiced unanimous support on behalf of the Association. They feel the development is excellent and a benefit to the entire area. On a personal note, he said he has felt for years that Grove City is the best kept secret in Franklin County. It is becoming less of a secret and growing well. He said we are in a commercial society and people will vote with their dollars, as to whether or not the business is successful. He believes any difficulties will be worked out and enthusiastically supports it.

Mr. Sherm Sheldon, President of the Willows of Quail Creek, said that since there was no general session held for the Association, he couldn't speak for all the residents. However, he has spoken with most of the residents and the general consensus is that the Kroger store will be a welcome addition to the area. He said most of them are retired and like services near by. For the same reason, they would not object to a Meijer, Target, or Wal-Mart store. He said it is always easy to guess about future traffic drawn by development. But, you never actually know until development occurs and traffic circulations evolve. In fact, they thought the development of Quail Creek subdivision would create big problems on Quail Creek Drive, but, that has not occurred. He said if Mr. Ferguson's material is correct, he believes this will potentially cause some traffic back-ups. He also concurred that traffic lights should be kept at a minimum between S.R. 665 and Quail Creek Dr. on Hoover Rd. He asked if there would be any additional hearings concerning the out-parcels between relocated Hoover Rd. and Old Hoover Rd. Mr. Bennett stated that development plans for any buildings on these parcels would come before Planning Commission and Council for review.

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

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes

2. Ordinance C-47-98 (Approve a Special Use Permit for a Gasoline Station located at the Southgrove Shopping Center located on the Northwest corner of Relocated Hoover Rd. and S.R. 665) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Dan Schoedinger, attorney for Kroger, stated that this is purely a filling station. It is not a place to shop; for kids to hang out; or get a car washed. It is for the neighborhood and those at the shopping center looking for a quick fill up. From what they have heard, there does not seem to be a wide spread resistance to the idea of a service station - particularly the way it has been done here.

Mr. Fulton stated that he is still have a problem reconciling the necessity for a filling station. He said free-standing Kroger stores (i.e. Georgesville Rd.) have no problem succeeding on their own. He asked why it is needed, other than they want it. Mr. Bill Hoffman, Kroger, explained that customers give them feedback on an annual basis. As a result of those surveys, they are finding that the sale of fuel is an item their customers feel very comfortable purchasing fuel where they do their grocery shopping. It is offering convenience and safety to buy groceries, other ancillary needs, and gasoline. Mr. Fulton asked if it was not wanted at the Georgesville Rd. location. Mr. Hoffman stated that the Grove City project will be one of the first coming on-line in the Central Ohio area. At the time the Georgesville Rd. & Avery Rd. stores was being developed, the feedback from customers did not speak to this issue. This is something that has occurred more recently than those stores. Mr. Fulton asked if the gas station will be open 24 hours. Mr. Hoffman said that decision has not been made. Right now, they plan hours from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Hours after that, are uncertain. Mr. Fulton asked if it could be 24 hours a day. Mr. Hoffman said it is possible, if the customer requests it. Mr. Fulton asked about security or safety concerns for a possible 24 hour operation. Mr. Hoffman said security will be designed into it. He said in discussing the lighting for the station, he stressed that the intensity be such that customers and Kroger Associates feel safe at all times and their level of security be paramount. Mr. Fulton asked about EPA approval and concerns. Mr. Hoffman stated the tanks are designed for adequate containment and will need EPA approval. Mr. Bennett asked about the radius for fuel trucks. Mr. Hoffman stated that he presumes the fuel trucks will come off I-71 and down S.R. 665, using the entrance by the Fire Station. He said radius' would be designed to handle semi-trucks and fuel trucks.

Mr. Radi asked Ms. Beard what specific concern she had with the fuel station being located at the proposed location. Ms. Beard stated that she is an employee at one of the gas stations at I-71 and with the recent addition of business in the area, they have seen a decline in business - to the point that she is concerned about her employment. In addition, she is moving from the Brice Rd. area and there is a gas station at the Meijer store. It is not something she wishes to live that close to.

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

Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Fulton	No
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

3. Resolution CR-70-98 (Approve the Final Development Plan for Buckeye Grove Shopping Center located on the Northwest corner of Relocated Hoover Rd. and S.R. 665.) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Bennett reviewed the stipulations set forth by Planning Commission. Mr. Schoedinger agreed to all of them.

Mr. Eversman voiced concern over the 20' monument sign for the Center. He said the signage for the building has exceeded the Code by 50%. He said the monument sign is very nice, but, feels it could be easily built at a smaller scale and doesn't feel a 20' monument sign is necessary. He moved that the Text be amended to reflect a 12' monument sign for the Center rather than 20'; seconded by Mr. Fulton.

Mr. Schoedinger stated that they would very much like to have a taller sign at this one location. They have roughly 3,900 feet of frontage and along this entire 3/4 of a mile, one sign exceeds the height limit. They feel it is important, with the building sitting back so far and even with the building signage (which will be externally illuminated and more difficult to see at a distance), to provide an opportunity for some of the other tenants to have a presence out where people can see. *Mr. Eversman* stated that he doesn't feel he is in a position to provide an exemption to the 8' requirement because he doesn't feel this property qualifies for what the requirements would be for a zoning Variance. He said he is not asking for a maximum of eight feet. He is asking for a maximum of 12 feet. The whole intent of the City's sign code was to lower the height of signs and doesn't feel that people will even notice the difference between a 12 and 20 foot sign.

Mr. Frank Petruziello stated that they feel strongly about the sign. He said if every sign were the same, there wouldn't be a hierarchy. It is not only an identification issue, it is also a design issue. He said then it becomes an issue of how much of a difference is enough. He doesn't feel that 12 feet is significant enough for it to be seen as different and the identity sign for the shopping center. He said our Code does not speak to the height of the message, but, rather the height of the structure. They have designed this with a cap on top and, although they don't need it to say Buckeye Grove Shopping Center, provides a nice identity to the Center. If you look at the top of the Kroger sign, they are at about 15 feet. He said they are willing to work with Council, but, if he has to chop off eight feet from the bottom, the aesthetics will be compromised or will be too much a part of the sign and the message would be obscured. Mr. Eversman said he is not proposing that they chop eight feet from the bottom, he is proposing that they scale it down to 60% of the current size. He said the reason for 12' is mainly because they have added aesthetic value to the sign. If the sign didn't look nice, he wouldn't be considering anything over eight feet. *President Milovich* asked if the four squares underneath the Kroger sign is for other stores. Mr. Petruziello said yes. In order for them to gain the tenants they need (5,000 sq. ft.) to make the Center successful, the market says they need some type of identity out at the street, and as the sign is scaled down, those will become obscured and more difficult to read. *Mayor Grossman* commented that the original sign proposed was much higher and signs in other areas ranged from 60 to 30 feet. The original sign proposed a brick base with plastic signage and no architectural features. They were asked to redesign it, making it more aesthetically pleasing and more comparable to the rest of the Center. *Mr. Bennett* commented that the he feels the Sign Code was trying to get rid of huge signs, on a tall pole, with no aesthetic value. He feels this is a well thought out approach to make it an addition to the area. *Mr. Boso* commented that Chapter 1323 doesn't give more signage for larger acreage.

The thought process was, that a center of this size does need an identification sign. With that though process, he feels the Planning Commission and Administration believe that a 30 acre parcel should be treated different. The Administration feels that the 20' sign is very reasonable for this Center. *Mr. Radi* commented that he is in favor of the eight foot sign requirement, but, in this case, feels that one 20' sign is much better than having several smaller signs in this location.

Mr. Eversman stated that he would bend to the desires and withdrew his motion; the second was also withdrawn by Mr. Fulton.

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

Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes

4. Ordinance C-58-98 (Appropriate Property for the Extension of Quail Creek Blvd. and declare an emergency) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Bennett moved that the Rules of Council be suspended and the waiting period waived; seconded by Mr. Radi.

Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes

Mr. Bennett moved it be approved as an emergency measure; seconded by Mr. Radi.

Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes

5. Ordinance C-59-98 (Accept the Plat of Meadow Grove South, Section No. 3) was given its second reading and public hearing.

Mr. Roland "Lum" Edwards, engineer, was present to answer any questions. There being none, Mr. Bennett moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Eversman.

Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes

6. Ordinance C-61-98 (Approve the Rezoning of 3136 & 3148 Broadway from C-1 to C-2) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on September 21, 1998.

Mr. James Thomas, property owner, commented that he has been in contact with some national hotel chains who are interested in the property. To do that, he needs a different zoning. The requested rezoning is in keeping with the surrounding zoning on three sides.

7. Ordinance C-62-98 (Approve the Rezoning of 24.121 acres, located east of Ewen Circle and north of Scioto Meadow Blvd., from R-2 to PUD-R) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on September 21, 1998.

8. Resolution CR-71-98 (Approve an Amendment to the Development Plan for The Ravine at Quail Creek, located North of Quail Creek Blvd.) was given its reading and public hearing.

Mr. Phil Fankhauser, Epcon Group, stated that while it hasn't been a pleasurable experience, they have found working with the City's Urban Forester to be fair and firm. They regret the situation that has developed, but, believe the proposed plan to be fair and responsible on their part. Beyond that, they have met with concerned residents in the area of their property. Their proposed plan meets with the recommendations of the Urban Forester and supported, in general, by all of those in the neighborhood.

Mr. Bennett stated that this situation came to Council as a result of an error in drawing the tree line on the property. This proposal adds 30 more trees and 40 honeysuckle shrubs, beyond the previous landscaping, to the northern border of the property. Mr. Fankhauser said that was correct and these will be installed in areas determined by the Urban Forester, where their installation will be most appropriate. Mr. Bennett asked Mr. Lathrop, Urban Forester, if he concurred with this. Mr. Lathrop said yes. Mr. Bennett commented that he feels this plan goes a long way in easing the pain with the loss of the trees and creating a private look for the area.

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

Mr. Milovich	Yes
Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes

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

1. Ordinance C-60-98 (Appropriate \$53,349.25 from the Sewer Fund for Reimbursing the City of Columbus for Tap Fees Collected) was given its second reading and public hearing and Mr. Eversman moved it be approved; seconded by Mr. Bennett.

Mr. Eversman	Yes
Mr. Fulton	Yes
Mr. Radi	Yes
Mr. Bennett	Yes
Mr. Milovich	Yes

2. Ordinance C-64-98 (Appropriate \$19,257.75 from the Sewer Fund for the Current Expense of Cost Sharing a Sanitary Sewer) was given its first reading. Second reading and public hearing will be held on September 08, 1998.

Mr. Eversman explained that this will enlarge the sewer line from an 8" required line, to a 24" desired line. The City will share in the cost for the difference in the line size.

Mr. Behlen, Dir. of Finance, commented that this is for the extension of the Mulberry Run Trunk Sewer, which came from Hoover Crossing and runs through Hoover Park Subdivision. It services the west and southwest sides of the City.

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

1. Ms. Ann Cunningham, Breck Ave., brought replacement photographs of her property, that were used for the FEMA application. She voiced concern over the drainage in her area and the plans for Our Lady of Perpetual Help's expansion. Mr. Kohman, City's Consulting Engineer, stated that he would be happy to explain the water runoff plan for the Church and offered to sit down with her and review it.
2. Mr. Jack Melville, Park Street, stated that the lights are still too bright and asked if 70 watt bulbs could be tried in an area before changing them all out.
3. Ms. Christie Murray, Park Street, commented that, while she appreciates the report from the lighting expert, there is no noticeable difference with the 100 watt bulbs.

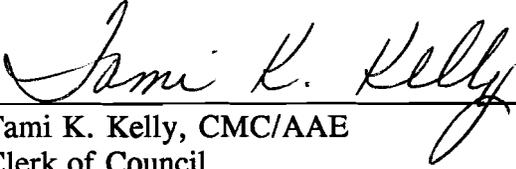
Mr. Jim Blackburn, Dir. of Service, explained that after the last Council meeting, a review of the area was conducted, by an independent lighting expert, for brightness and the wattage being used. The expert did not recommend the 70 watt bulb. He did, however, recommend removal of three (3) poles and the City has accepted that recommendation. Those three lights are turned off now. In addition, the remaining lights will be reduced to 100 watt bulbs with shields. Mr. Fulton asked about burn-off. Mr. Blackburn said the 100 watt lights will continue to burn-off.

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

1. Mayor Grossman commented that Banana Republic Catalog Center opened in Gateway Industrial Park last Thursday. She invited everyone to the dedication of Ruth Gividen's home. It is one of the oldest homes in Grove City and will be added to the Historical Registry. There will be a potluck this Thursday at 6:00 p.m. Finally, there is a new page on our Web Site for the school times.
2. Council Members congratulated the Baseball teams; shared concern with the Park Street residents on the lighting; and encouraged residents to support the school system and vote positively on the upcoming Bond Issue.
3. President Milovich announced that the next regular meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday, September 08, 1998 at the regular time (8:00 p.m.) rather than Monday, in observance of Labor Day.

4. After additional comments from Administration, the Chamber and Council, a motion was made to adjourn and seconded. Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 10:47 p.m.



Tami K. Kelly, CMC/AAE
Clerk of Council



Michael Milovich, Jr.
President