City of Groveland E.L. PURYEAR BUILDING 243 SOUTH LAKE AVENUE GROVELAND, FLORIDA 34736 (352) 429-2141

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 2, 2025 7:00 P.M.

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CITY ATTORNEY

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VIRGINIA WRIGHT
CITY CLERK

GENERAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

The Mayor will ask for comments from the public, requesting that anyone desiring to speak on an item. When recognized by the Mayor, please approach the podium and speak into the microphone, stating your name, address, if you are a citizen that lives in the Groveland City limits, and then present the information you desire. Each person has a maximum of five (5) minutes to speak.

Items listed in the "Consent Agenda" will be approved by Council in their entirety by a single motion, unless otherwise indicated by Council. These are routine items not anticipated to be controversial and are placed on the Consent Agenda to expedite the meeting. If a Council Member, staff member or member of the public wishes to discuss any item on the Consent Agenda, they can request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion. The remaining items on the Consent Agenda will be voted on with one motion being made for all items on the Consent Agenda. Then the item removed from the Consent Agenda will be separately considered and voted on.

Items identified with a double asterisk (**) are quasi-judicial functions of the City Council other than land use; the Council Members disclose any ex parté communications.

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Pursuant to the provisions of Chap. 286, F.S., Sec. 286.0105, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by this body with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record may include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based and is advised to make such arrangements at his or her own expense.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 286.26, Florida Statute, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this meeting should contact the City Clerk's Office no later than 3 business day prior to the meeting at virginia.wright@groveland-fl.gov.

PUBLIC NOTICE AND AGENDA OF THE GROVELAND CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULED TO CONVENE AT 7:00 P.M. MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2025 IN THE E.L. PURYEAR BUILDING LOCATED AT 243 S. LAKE AVENUE, GROVELAND, FLORIDA 34736.

Please note: As an alternate option, the public can attend the June 2, 2025 City Council Meeting virtually. The virtual meeting will be in "watch/listen mode" only; no public comments will be taken virtually. Instructions to participate have been posted to the City's website under "public notices" at www.groveland-fl.gov

*If you would like additional information regarding an agenda item please contact the Clerk's Office via email at virginia.wright@groveland-fl.gov or (352) 730-9285.

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Please note: Most written communication to or from government officials regarding government business are public records available to the public and media upon request. Your e-mail communications may therefore be subject to public disclosure.

PLEDGE OF CONDUCT

- We may disagree, but we will be respectful of one another.
- We will direct all comments to issues.
- We will avoid personal attacks.
- Audience members wishing to speak must be recognized by the Mayor.
- Speaking without being recognized will be considered "Out of Order."

CALL TO ORDER

OPENING CEREMONIES

- a. Pledge of Allegiance
- b. Invocation by Pastor Nelson Bloem, Better Life Worship Center

ROLL CALL

AGENDA

GUEST SPEAKER, PRESENTATIONS, AND PROCLAMATIONS

> Niagara Bottling Legacy Achievement Award

> Groveland Police Department

- Swearing-In Ceremony New Police Officer Arif Deonarine
- Promotions
 - Corporal Stephen Wilson promoted to Sergeant
 - Officer Devon Menear promoted to Corporal.

CONSENT AGENDA

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Consideration of Approval:

- A. May 12, 2025 City Council Workshop Minutes
- B. May 15, 2025 City Council Retreat Minutes
- C. May 19, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes
- D. Resolution 2025-30: Approving the Agreement between the Cherry Lake Preparatory Academy and the City of Groveland, Florida, for School Resource Officer Program 2025-2026

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Groveland, Florida, approving the agreement for School Resource Officer Program [2025-2026] for Cherry Lake Preparatory Academy; authorizing execution of the agreement; providing for an effective date.

E. Resolution 2025-31: Approving Gadson Street Trail Project - Declaring property necessary for public project

A resolution of the City Council for the City of Groveland, County of Lake, State of Florida, determining that the Gadson Street Trail Project is necessary and serves a valid public purpose and authorizing acquisition of certain real property and property interests by gift, purchase agreement or the exercise of the power of eminent domain for the public purpose of improving Gadson Street; declaring the public purpose and public necessity therefore for the acquisition of the specific parcel(s); providing for conflict; providing for severability; providing an effective date and authorizing and directing the agents and attorneys for the City of Groveland to acquire such property and property rights in the name of the City of Groveland.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Resolution 2025-28: Approving the Development Agreement between RaceTrac, Inc. and the City of Groveland relating to a new RaceTrac located at 20360 O'Brien Road, Groveland, Florida, to allow for its opening to the public and issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy only under certain conditions outlined in the agreement

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Groveland, Florida, approving the Development Agreement between RaceTrac, Inc. and the City of Groveland relating to a new RaceTrac located at 20360 O'Brien Road, Groveland, Florida, to allow for its opening to the public and issuance of the certificate of occupancy only under certain conditions outlined in the agreement; providing for an effective date.

Resolution 2025-28 executes a Development Agreement memorializing RaceTrac's commitment to designing, permitting, and constructing signalization at the intersection of US 27 and O'Brien Road. The agreement accepts an interim safety solution at the intersection – a directional median opening – until the signalization is in place. The agreement conditions occupancy on the interim improvements.

2. Council Discussion & Direction: Avalon Development Agreement

NEW BUSINESS

- 3. Ordinance 2025-7: Amending City Code Relating to Advertising of Election Qualifying Period and Election to remove requirement that at least one advertisement must be published on a Sunday An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Groveland, Florida, amending Section 26-4. of the City of Groveland Code of Ordinances relating to advertising of election qualification period and election to remove the requirement that at least one advertisement must be published on a Sunday; providing for codification; providing for severability and conflicts; and providing an effective date.
- 4. IT Department Presentation: Enhancing Customer Service
- 5. Ordinance 2025-03: Amending Chapter 78 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Groveland to update deposit policies and to update utility related fees and rates by amending rates for potable water and irrigation water meters as well as adopting regulations and fees associated with portable hydrant meters; repealing portions of Appendix A Fee Schedule in Subpart B Land Development Code

An ordinance of the City of Groveland, County of Lake, State of Florida, amending Chapter 78 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Groveland to update deposit policies and to update utility related fees and rates by amending rates for potable water and irrigation water meters as well as adopting regulations and fees associated with portable hydrant meters; repealing portions of Appendix A – Fee Schedule in Subpart B – Land Development Code, providing for codification and severability; and providing for an effective date.

Ordinance 2025-03 amends Chapter 78 pertaining to utilities to update fees and rates for potable water meters and irrigation water meters. The ordinance also adopts policies and fees associated with portable meters temporarily utilized on fire hydrants for a water source for activities such as construction. The ordinance repeals any sections no longer applicable.

6. Ordinance 2025-4: Amending Chapter 78 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Groveland to update policies related to the collection of utility rates and charges by adding provisions pertaining to adjustments to customer utility accounts subject to conditions as well as adopting regulations pertaining to utility customer responsibilities, monthly base charges, and payment plans

Ordinance 2025-4 amends Chapter 78, Utilities, to enhance policies pertaining the collection of utility rates and charges including customer responsibilities on private property, the nature of monthly base charges, terms of payments plans, and conditions for billing adjustments such as unexpected high usage due to leaks or filling of swimming pools.

PUBLIC COMMENT

REPORTS

- a. Council Member Reports
- b. City Manager Report
- c. City Attorney Report

ADJOURNMENT

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