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*"The City with a future, watch us grow!"*

Groveland City Council  
City Manager Report  
May 3, 2014

**Pending Action Items:**

- The Action Item regarding the Staff Work Plan is in progress; first draft is being compiled, correlated and consolidated work plans into one document intended for the City Council and the public use is also outstanding and is anticipated to be ready within the next two city council cycles.

**Report from the Desk of the City Manager:**

- My "First 100 day Organizational Review and Evaluation" continues... as I have completed employee interviews, and have begun interview local businesses. My goal is to have a written draft late May or early June.
- The City Manager's Office continues to aggressively move forward with its "Premier City Campaign". The Groveland citizenry have been challenged to review the following "Most Livable Cities" for at least one program, policy, event, or initiative that they will advocate in their prospective department and/or recommend to the City Manager's Office.

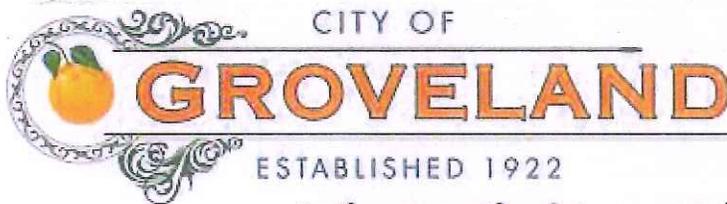
1. Sharon, Massachusetts – (781) 784-1500
2. Louisville, Colorado – (303) 666-6565
3. Vienna, Virginia – (703) 255-6300
4. Chanhassen, Minnesota – (952) 227-1100
5. Sherwood, Oregon – (503) 625-5522
6. Berkeley Heights, New Jersey – (908) 464-8150
7. Mason, Ohio – (513) 229-8500
8. Papillion, Nebraska – (402) 597-2000
9. Apex, North Carolina – (919) 249-3400
10. West Goshen Township, Pennsylvania – (610) 696-0900

Citizens and City Council are asked to bring their items to the City Manager Office via e-mail, phone call, or visit with the city manager. This benchmark process will compare our services against 10 of the Top Small Communities in the Country. These communities are not only thriving economically, they maximize family friendly amenities, well ran government, and strong community involvement. Invitations to citizens will be going out with the water bill under the title "DARE TO BE GREAT", in May.

- The Development of Regional Impact (DRI) application process began April 11, 2014 at the Puryear Building where regional stakeholders were invited to participate in the a Pre-Application

for a proposed Annexation of 2,467 acre property within the Groveland Inter local Service Area Boundary Agreement (ISBA). The meeting was well attended and well received with positive dialog to start this anticipated 18 month proposal review process.

E-mail: response to concerned Citizen relating to water and the Villa City Concept



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Tom,

First, let me state that there will be ample time for these questions during the DRI application; once it is filed. At this time it has not been filed and a timeline for public participation has yet to be set up. Let me continue to inform you the St Johns River Water Management District was present at the pre planning session \ charrette conducted April 11th, and I am confident that a water strategy will be developed to ensure the area will continue to have a strong and quality water source. I am also familiar with the water and growth projections from St. Johns; which forecast our growth to 2035 using expected water demand water levels. These projections are well above the build out of this project.

In some sense water is always a concern, and Groveland is one of the leaders in the county in developing alternative / conservation water programs. In Groveland we believe in preserving resources and using sound community planning concepts also known as "smart growth". The City of Groveland anticipates projects like this one and more based on this philosophy ("We are the City with a future, watch us grow").

I hope this helps you  
Redmond Jones  
City Manager

**Follow up / Reminder Items:**

- None

**Events:**

- Town Hall Meeting locations have been identified for the following neighborhoods
  1. Puryear Building
  2. Trilogy
  3. Waterside Pointe

Times and dates are yet to be announced as we are working with community members to market and secure meeting space.

Redmond Jones  
City Manager