

MINUTES OF THE RESCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF GROSSE  
POINTE WOODS HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2025, IN THE COUNCIL-  
COURTROOM OF THE ROBERT E. NOVITKE MUNICIPAL CENTER, 20025 MACK PLAZA  
DR., GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Bryant.

PRESENT: Mayor Bryant  
Council Members: Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, Motschall  
ABSENT: Brown

Also Present: City Manager Schulte  
Assistant City Manager Como  
City Attorney Tomlinson  
City Treasurer/Comptroller Schmidt  
City Clerk Antolin  
Director of Public Safety Kosanke

**Motion** by Motschall, seconded by McConaghy, that Councilmember Brown be excused from tonight's meeting.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, Motschall  
No: None  
Absent: Brown

Council, Administration, and the audience Pledged Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.

The following Commission members were in attendance:

- Catherine Dumke, Senior Citizens' Commission

**Motion** by Gafa, seconded by McConaghy, that all items on tonight's **agenda be received, placed on file, and taken in order of appearance.**

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, Motschall  
No: None  
Absent: Brown

**Motion** by Granger, seconded by Gafa, that all items (6A-6F) on the consent agenda be approved as presented.

**A. Appointment(s)**

1. Appointments to Commissions and Boards
  - a) Memo 11/25/25 - Administrative Clerk Coyle
  - b) Biographical Sketches:
    - 1) Michael Ellis - Planning Commission
    - 2) John Schulte - Planning Commission
    - 3) Jason Gaidis - Citizens' Recreation Commission
    - 4) Ghassan Elian - Construction Board of Appeals
    - 5) Christopher Stump - Board of Review (Alternate)

**B. Approval of Minutes**

1. Council 11/17/25
2. Zoning Board of Appeals 11/17/25

**C. Items Received and Placed on File**

1. Citizens' Recreation Commission 10/14/25 with recommendations\*
  - \*Recommendation to approve Option 1 of AEW's presentation for new pickleball courts at Ghesquiere Park.
  - \*Will pilot a Youth Advisory Committee under supervision of the Recreation Commission beginning January 2026.

**D. Financial Report(s)**

1. FYE 2025 Audit Report - Plante Moran
  - a) Letter 11/07/25 - Plante Moran (Grosse Pointe Woods Audit)
  - b) Annual Comprehensive Financial Report FYE, June 30, 2025
  - c) Letter 11/07/25 - Plante Moran (Municipal Court Audit)
  - d) Financial Report (Municipal Court) with Supplementary Information FYE, June 30, 2025

\*Please refer to the 12/01/25 Committee-of-the-Whole agenda item 4A.

**E. Bids/Proposals/Contracts**

1. 2026 Commission Appreciation Reception
  - a) Memo 11/25/25 - Assistant City Manager Como
2. Purchase of Public Safety K9 Vehicle and Equipment - Budget Amendment
  - a) Memo 11/24/25 - Director of Public Safety Kosanke
  - b) Quote 10/14/25 - Berger Chevrolet, Inc.
  - c) Quote 176463 11/17/25 - Canfield Equipment Service, Inc.
  - d) Quote PRLV784 11/20/25 - CDW-G

- e) Quote 11/21/25 - Majik Graphics
- f) Quote - Dell Technologies
- g) Quote 1615119322 11/20/25 - Midwest Public Safety (MPS)
- h) Quote 3388797 11/14/25 - Motorola Solutions
- 3. MIDC Grant Agreement FY 2025-2026 and the Grosse Pointe Woods Indigent Defense/Independent Contractor Agreement for the Managed Assigned Counsel Coordinator Serving the 32F Municipal Court Agreement between the City and Michael P. Kavanaugh
  - a) Memo 11/24/25 - Assistant City Manager
  - b) Proposed MIDC Grant Agreement FY 2025-2026
  - c) Proposed Independent Contractor Agreement for the Managed Assigned Counsel Coordinator Serving the 32F Municipal Court
  - d) Certificate of Liability Insurance

**F. Claims and Accounts**

- 1. Rosati, Schultz, Joppich & Amtsbuechler, P.C. - Legal Services - Invoice No. 1084588 - October 2025 - 11/13/25 - \$6,868.80.
- 2. WCA Assessing - Assessing Services - Invoice No. 111425 - December 2025 - 11/14/25 - \$7,911.08.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: Bryant, Gafa, Granger, Koester, McConaghy, Motschall  
No: None  
Absent: Brown

Under New Business, the following individuals were heard:

- Councilmember Koester commented on placing future Planning Commission candidates on a Committee-of-the-Whole agenda to discuss appointments/re-appointments and tenures. Councilmember McConaghy concurred and suggested implementing this process for all commissions. There was a majority consensus of the Council with this suggestion.

Under Public Comment, the following individual was heard:

- 1. Christina Pitts, 1501 Oxford Rd., addressed her letter dated November 5, 2025, requesting a meeting with the Mayor, Code Enforcement Officer, and City Planner to discuss the interpretation of the sign ordinance and enforcement.
- 2. Lynne Aldrich, 1501 Oxford Rd., addressed rezoning issues and the appointments to the Planning Commission.

3. Jon Dougherty, 1665 S. Renaud Rd., concurred with the two previous public commentors.

**Motion** by Koester, seconded by Gafa, to **adjourn tonight's meeting** at 7:43 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

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Paul P. Antolin  
City Clerk

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Arthur W. Bryant  
Mayor