RESOLUTION NO. CR-28-26

A RESOLUTION TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE MULTI-GENERATIONAL CITY OWNED AND OPERATED COMMUNITY CENTER TO BE LOCATED AT PINNACLE PARK

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2025, during the Parks Committee Special Meeting, Council voted on a motion and, with a 6-1 vote, approved the recommendation to support the City Administration moving forward and exploring the path of a Central Hub, multi-generational 125,000+ sq. ft, city-operated community facility; and

WHEREAS, on March 03, 2025, Council adopted Resolution CR-08-25 to request the Administration, in alignment with the recommendations of the Park Board, move forward with the exploration and feasibility of a large, multi-generational city-operated community center; and

WHEREAS, on April 07, 2025, Council adopted Resolution CR-12-25 to appoint members to the Site Selection Committee and Finance Committee for the proposed community center; and

WHEREAS, on August 18, 2025, the Site Selection and Finance Committee provided a report to Council, under New Business. Special meetings of Council were held on Feb. 17, 2026, to hear an update on the potential sites, and on March 20, 2026, to hear the financial update; and

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2026, a special meeting of Council was held to hear about the comparison study between a new, city-owned and operated community center vs an expansion of the YMCA, by Pizzuti; and

WHEREAS, to move forward with the next steps toward a multi-generational, city-operated community center, a site must be selected; and

WHEREAS, a multigenerational community center will be a community wide asset providing opportunities for collaboration with our community partners, i.e., Southwestern City Schools, Jackson Township, Pleasant Township, Village of Urbancrest, the YMCA our business community and more; and

WHEREAS, Grove City Council recognizes the economic, social and health benefits associated with a well-designed, multi-use community center and acknowledges the positive impact it would have on our overall community well-being by being inclusive and accessible for residents of all ages, while offering diversity programs such as recreational activities, fitness programs, arts and cultural events, educational workshops, and community gathering spaces.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROVE CITY, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1. This Council hereby selects the Pinnacle site adjacent to I-71, if feasible, for final facility design, and appropriate next steps toward a multi-generational, city-owned and operated community center.

SECTION 2. The City Administration is requested to provide periodic updates, not less than quarterly, to the City Council on progress, design, funding efforts, and proposed next steps.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall take effect at the earliest opportunity allowed by law.

Ted A. Berry, President of Council

Passed: 07-20-2026
Effective: 07-20-2026

Richard L. Stage, Mayor

Attest:

Tami K. Kelly, MMC, Clerk of Council

I Certify that this resolution is correct as to form.

Stephen J. Smith, Director of Law