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GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Amorose Groomes called the Monday, March 9, 2026 Regular Meeting of Dublin City Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present were Ms. Alutto, Mayor Amorose Groomes, Vice Mayor De Rosa, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Keeler, Ms. Kramb and Dr. Lam.

Staff members present were Ms. O'Callaghan, Chief Paez, Mr. Hartmann, Mr. Rubino, Ms. Weisenauer, Mr. Earman, Ms. Willis, Ms. Wawzskiewicz, Mr. Rayburn, Deputy Chief Tabernik, Mr. Barker, Mr. Gable, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Jiang, Ms. Blake, Ms. Rauch, and Ms. Hunter.

Others present were Joe Batchelor, Frost Brown Todd Gibbons.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Amorose Groomes moved to adjourn to executive session to consider:

- Considering the Purchase of Property for Public Purposes;
- Conferences with an Attorney for the Public Body concerning Disputes involving the Public Body that are the subject of Pending or Imminent Court Action;
- Preparing for, Conducting, or Reviewing Negotiations or Bargaining Sessions with Public Employees concerning their Compensation or other Terms and Conditions of their Employment;
- To consider Confidential Information related to a request for Economic Development Assistance that involves Public Infrastructure Improvements that are directly related to an Economic Development Project, and which Executive Session is necessary to Protect the Possible Investment or Expenditure of Public Funds to be made in connection with the Economic Development Project; and
- Personnel Matters: Considering the Appointment of a Public Official.

Vote on the motion: Mr. Keeler, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Dr. Lam, yes; Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes.

The meeting was reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Amorose Groomes invited Ms. Alutto to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITION

- **2025 Auditor of State Award with Distinction**
Mr. Scott Brown from the Ohio State Auditor's office presented the 2025 Auditor of State Award with Distinction to the City of Dublin. The award recognizes the City as being in the top 4 percent of all audits conducted statewide, reflecting outstanding fiscal accountability and excellence in financial management.

Mayor Amorose Groomes invited finance team members Matt Rubino, Megan Murray, and Ryan Reichley to receive the recognition on behalf of the City, acknowledging their hard work in maintaining the high standards that earned this distinction.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Jennifer Hammill, 5725 Trafalgar Lane, Dublin, came forward to express concerns about industrial development in the West Innovation District. She advocated for alternatives such as retail space or restaurants rather than manufacturing or research and development facilities.

Daniel Hammill, 5725 Trafalgar Lane, Dublin, referenced Mayor Amorose Groomes' previous statement about being mindful of property owners' concerns, noting that recent conversations with landowners indicated they did not feel their thoughts had been taken into account. He questioned why the City's stated directives of thoughtful, resident-driven growth were not being followed in this case.

Ms. Weisenauer read the following comments received on the website:

Victoria McDonald, 5642 Tynecastle Loop, Dublin who wrote:

Good evening Council members, concerns about the Western Innovation District and its impact to the lives of families in Dublin, there is still much to be regarded when it comes to City Council hearing our requests. Yes, you have listened to our repeated concerns about the movement to not allow data centers, but have you "heard" our concerns about the greater impact that any type of industrial development could have on the well being of our families.

We ask that you keep Dublin Green and Families Safe! Do not permit industrial land uses near homes. It is unsafe. Mounding and setbacks merely hide the potential development, it does not mitigate or protect from the risks of toxic material, processes by industrial manufacturing and technology. Further, we ask that you also keep Houchard Rd residents safe. Dublin's economic growth cannot come at the expense of families. As stated recently at the State of the City, Dublin is thriving and the fiscal projections continue to demonstrate that we do not need to plan without considering the long term implications. I respectfully ask that you revise the Envision Dublin Plan and Dublin zoning code accordingly.

Thank you, Victoria McDonald

Amy Swank, 5945 Vandeleur Pl., Dublin, wrote:

Dear City Council – Please Keep Dublin Green and Families Safe! Do not permit industrial land uses near homes. It is unsafe. A 200-foot setback and mounding does not protect Dublin's children from the risks of toxic materials, processes and byproducts of industrial manufacturing and technology. Additionally, permitting industrial uses West of the railroad tracks still endangers residents – particularly when no zoning code changes have been proposed. Dublin's growth cannot come at the expense of resident health and safety. I respectfully request that you revise the Envision Dublin Plan and Dublin zoning code accordingly and vote no on Ordinance 06-25. Thank you - Amy Swank

Komal Aldridge, 6493 Ballantrae Pl., Dublin, wrote:

Dear City Council – Please Keep Dublin Green and Families Safe! Do not permit industrial land uses near homes. It is unsafe. A 200-foot setback and mounding does not protect Dublin's children from the risks of toxic materials, processes and byproducts of industrial manufacturing and technology. Additionally, permitting industrial uses West of the railroad tracks still endangers residents – particularly when no zoning code changes have been proposed. Dublin's growth cannot come at the expense of resident health and safety. I respectfully request that you revise the Envision Dublin Plan and Dublin zoning code accordingly and vote no on Ordinance 06-25. Thank you – Komal

Kelly Weber, 6596 Ballantrae Pl., Dublin, wrote:

Dear City Council – Please Keep Dublin Green and Families Safe! I was the 9th house to build in ballantrae and grew up in dublin. I've been here almost 25 years and want my neighborhood to stay safe and clean as I believe dublin wants as well.

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Matthew Connolly, 6000 Houchard Road, Dublin wrote:

Dear City Council, My name is Matt Connolly. I live at 6000 Houchard Rd. Please keep Dublin green and families safe by not permitting industrial land uses near residential neighborhoods. These uses introduce risks associated with toxic materials, manufacturing processes, and industrial byproducts that a 200-foot setback and mounding cannot fully mitigate—especially for Dublin's children and nearby residents. Allowing industrial development west of the railroad tracks still places surrounding neighborhoods at risk, particularly when no corresponding zoning code protections have been proposed. Dublin's growth should not come at the expense of resident health and safety. I respectfully ask that you revise the Envision Dublin Plan and the Dublin zoning code to better protect existing neighborhoods and vote no on Ordinance 06-25. Thank you for your consideration. Respectfully, Matt Connolly.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Minutes of the February 23, 2026 Regular Council Meeting

Hearing no request to remove an item from the Consent Agenda, Mayor Amorose Groomes moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

Vote on the motion: Ms. Kramb, yes; Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Mr. Keeler, yes; Dr. Lam, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes.

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCES

Mayor Amorose Groomes moved to waive the Council Rules of Order and read Ordinances 07-26 through 13-26 together.

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

Vote on the motion: Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Mr. Keeler, yes; Dr. Lam, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes.

Ordinance 07-26

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Acquire a 0.019-Acre Warranty Deed and a 0.074-Acre Easement from the Property Located at 7065 Shier Rings Road, Identified as Franklin County Parcel Number 272-000233 From Jason R. Huffman, for the Public Purpose of Constructing a Shared Use Path, Which Shall be Open to the Public Without Charge

Ordinance 08-26

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Acquire a 0.021-Acre Warranty Deed and a 0.086-Acre Easement from the Property Located at 7055 Shier Rings Road, Identified as Franklin County Parcel Number 272 -000292 from Jason Huffman, for the Public Purpose of Constructing a Shared Use Path, Which Shall be Open to the Public Without Charge

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Ordinance 09-26

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Acquire a 0.12-Acre Easement and a 0.024-Acre Warranty Deed from the Property Located at 7025 Shier Rings Road, Identified as Franklin County Parcel Number 272-000291 from Darrell K. Schwark and Stephanie A. Schwark, for the Public Purpose of Constructing a Shared Use Path, Which Shall be Open to the Public Without Charge

Ordinance 10-26

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Acquire a 0.082-Acre Easement from the Property Located at 6111 Holliday Lane, Identified as Franklin County Parcel Number 272-000374 From Michael E. Ramsey and Sharon D. Ramsey, for the Public Purpose of Constructing a Shared Use Path, Which Shall be Open to the Public Without Charge

Ordinance 11-26

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Acquire a 0.068-Acre Easement from the Property Located at 6110 Holliday Lane, Identified as Franklin County Parcel Number 272-000366 from Alan E. Abouhassan and Rachel L. Abouhassan, for the Public Purpose of Constructing a Shared Use Path, Which Shall be Open to the Public Without Charge

Ordinance 12-26

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Acquire a 0.071-Acre Easement from the Property Located at 6957 Shier Rings Road, Identified as Franklin County Parcel Number 272-000365 From Ronny C. Green, for the Public Purpose of Constructing a Shared Use Path, Which Shall be Open to the Public Without Charge

Ordinance 13-26

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Acquire a 0.091-Acre Easement from the Property Located at 6113 Shier Lane, Identified as Franklin County Parcel Number 272-000363 from Barry Mesa Jr. and Angela Michele Mesa, for the Public Purpose of Constructing a Shared Use Path, Which Shall be Open to the Public Without Charge

Mr. Gable reported that these acquisitions complete the property requirements for connecting existing shared use paths and improving network connectivity. The City had engaged in good faith discussions with property owners and reached mutually agreeable terms for the necessary warranty deeds and easements. Staff recommended adoption of these ordinances.

There were no public comments.

Vote on the Ordinances: Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Dr. Lam, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Mr. Keeler, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes.

Ordinance 14-26

Appropriate a 0.090-Acre Easement from the Property Located at 6114 Shier Lane, Identified as Franklin County Parcel Number 272-000357 from James A. Rave, for the Public Purpose of Constructing a Shared Use Path, Which Shall be Open to the Public Without Charge

Mr. Gable confirmed that there is no new information regarding this Ordinance since first reading and recommended approval.

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There were no public comments.

Vote on the Ordinance: Dr. Lam, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Mr. Keeler, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes.

Ordinance 15-26

Amending Chapters 72 and 75 of Dublin's Codified Ordinances to Enhance Safety Regulations for Micromobility Devices and Other Similar Devices

Ms. Willis presented updates to the micromobility code based on Council feedback. Key changes included clarifying requirements for riding on the right side of roadways and reinstating helmet requirements for riders under 16 years old. The updated code deletes conflicting sections and consolidates regulations for better clarity.

Patricia Kovacs, 527 Haversham Drive, Gahanna offered comments in support of the changes made to the Code that improve safety. She thanked staff for their responsiveness and expressed appreciation for the recommendations.

Ms. Johnson expressed support while maintaining reservations about enforcement challenges. She emphasized the importance of carrying the same concern for resident safety into future zoning decisions regarding industrial development near neighborhoods.

Mr. Keeler inquired about light requirements for devices, which staff confirmed were included in the code.

Vice Mayor De Rosa asked about communication rollout plans, and Ms. Willis indicated educational materials would be deployed immediately including coordination with schools after the 30-day period when the Code changes take effect.

Ms. Kramb asked about enforcement procedures. Deputy Police Chief Tabernik explained that residents should call the non-emergency line to report violations, and that officers would take an education-first approach while also holding both riders and parents responsible for violations.

Vote on the Ordinance: Ms. Kramb, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Dr. Lam, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Mr. Keeler, yes; Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes.

INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING – ORDINANCES

Mayor Amorose Groomes moved to waive the Council Rules of Order and read Ordinances 16-26 through 18-26 together.

Ms. Alutto seconded the motion.

Vote on the motion: Ms. Alutto, yes; Mr. Keeler, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes; Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Dr. Lam, yes.

Ordinance 16-26

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Acquire a 0.042-Acre Warranty Deed from the Property Located at 5611 Avery Road, Identified as Franklin County Parcel Number 274-000098 from Gurpal Kaur, for the Public Purpose of Constructing a Shared Use Path, Drainage and Roadway Improvements, Which Shall be Open to the Public Without Charge

Ordinance 17-26

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Acquire a 0.116-Acre Warranty Deed from the Property Located at 5689 Avery Road, Identified as Franklin County Parcel Number 273 -010593 From Scioto Properties SP-17 LLC, for the Public Purpose of Constructing a Shared Use Path, Drainage and Roadway Improvements, Which Shall be Open to the Public Without Charge

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Ordinance 18-26

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute and Accept Necessary Conveyance Documents and Contracts to Acquire a 0.076-Acre Warranty Deed from the Property Located at 5695 Avery Road, Identified as Franklin County Parcel Number 274 -000122 From Ohio Venture Properties, LLC, for the Public Purpose of Constructing a Shared Use Path, Drainage and Roadway Improvements, Which Shall be Open to the Public Without Charge

Ms. Alutto introduced the Ordinances.

Mr. Gable presented three ordinances for property acquisitions along Avery Road to construct a shared use path connecting existing paths and filling one of the last gaps in the network. The City has reached mutually agreeable terms with the three property owners involved. Staff recommends approval at the second reading.

There were no public comments.

Ms. Kramb inquired about a vacant parcel shown on the aerial map. Mr. Gable confirmed that the path would fit within existing right-of-way on that property without requiring additional acquisition.

Second reading/public hearing is scheduled for March 23, 2026.

INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC HEARING/VOTE – RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 10-26

Accepting the Lowest and Best Bid for the Shared Use Path and Parking Lot Maintenance 2026 Project, (26-003-CIP)

Ms. Alutto introduced the Resolution.

Mr. Gable presented the resolution accepting the lowest bid from Breck's Paving for \$530,634.37 for shared use path and parking lot maintenance. The project will commence in May with completion by October. Staff coordinated work schedules with Parks and Recreation to minimize impacts on events.

There were no public comments.

Ms. Kramb asked about maintenance frequency for paths. Mr. Gable explained that resurfacing typically occurs every 5-10 years depending on conditions, with regular resealing to maintain integrity. Some paths receive only crack sealing depending on their condition.

Vote on the Resolution: Ms. Johnson, yes; Dr. Lam, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes; Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Ms. Keeler, yes.

Resolution 11-26

Accepting the Lowest and Best Bid for the Annual Sidewalk Maintenance Program 2026, (26-004-CIP)

Ms. Alutto introduced the Resolution.

Mr. Gable presented the resolution accepting the lowest bid from Coburn's Concrete LLC for \$317,443.96 for the annual sidewalk maintenance program. The program focuses on preserving trees wherever possible. Staff works with forestry personnel to evaluate tree impacts and offers sidewalk meandering to property owners when feasible.

There were no public comments.

Vice Mayor De Rosa expressed appreciation for continued efforts to minimize tree removal and requested exploration of additional alternatives such as elevated sidewalks. Mayor Amorose Groomes requested that storm structure inspections in Muirfield include utility basins located within walking paths that may need attention.

Vote on the Resolution: Dr. Lam, yes; Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes; Mr. Keeler, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes.

Resolution 12-26

Accepting the Lowest and Best Bid for the 2026 Street Tree Pruning Contract and Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contract for the Project

Ms. Alutto introduced the Resolution.

Mr. Anderson presented the resolution for the 2026 street tree pruning contract. Joseph Tree Service submitted the lowest responsive bid at \$280,772, which was 6.4 percent below budget. The company has doubled its certified arborists from five to ten since 2024 and successfully completed previous projects for the City totaling 745 trees.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Amorose Groomes requested consideration of trees at the Avery-Muirfield Drive and Route 33 intersection if budget allows.

Vice Mayor De Rosa emphasized the importance of advance communication with residents about the pruning program and requested information about supervision protocols be included in public materials.

Vote on the Resolution: Mr. Keeler, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Ms. Kramb, yes; Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Dr. Lam, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Columbus Fourth Water Plant Transmission Main Update

City representatives from the City of Columbus, including Tim Huffman and Steve Nocera, provided an update on the transmission main project supporting the new Home Road water plant. The project involves installing two 48-inch diameter water mains from the plant to Columbus's distribution system, with significant refinements since the last presentation two years ago.

Key alignment changes include connecting at Park Center and Blazer Parkway instead of Frantz Road to minimize impacts, routing down Parkwood Place rather than Woerner Temple Road, and shifting from Brand Road to Earlington Parkway to reduce traffic impacts and construction duration while maintaining streetscapes.

For Muirfield Drive, the plan involves installing one main on each side of the roadway in phases, allowing traffic to shift while preserving the median landscaping. The phased approach accommodates the Memorial Tournament schedule and minimizes construction duration.

The project is broken into three phases, with Phase 1 currently in design and Phase 2 covering the Muirfield-Brand area down Post Road. Columbus is seeking four easements from Dublin including locations at Parkwood Place, Coffman Park, Earlington Park near Wyandot School, and property on Ashbaugh Road.

Council members raised questions about alignment rationale, river crossing methods (micro-tunneling), and communication strategies.

Ms. Alutto expressed gratitude for the preservation of the Muirfield median and emphasized coordination with schools given construction during the school year.

Vice Mayor De Rosa requested extensive community engagement, particularly with affected homeowners' associations (HOAs) and Post Road residents.

Dr. Lam commended the scientific approach to corridor selection, and all associated with the project committed to comprehensive communication throughout the project.

- Community Service Advisory Committee (CSAC) Report – Deer Management

CSAC Chair Vicki Guinther presented the committee's report on deer management following extensive study since February 2022. The report included regional benchmarking, survey findings, and management options.

Current Dublin deer density is estimated at 50-85 deer per square mile, with documented complaints decreasing slightly but aggressive deer reports increasing significantly in 2025. The outdoor feeding ordinance adopted in 2023 has focused primarily on education with no fines issued.

Regional communities including Worthington and Columbus have implemented targeted removal programs with strong public support. Worthington's 2024 surveys showed 71 percent support for decreasing deer population and 73 percent support for professional sharpshooter programs.

Dublin's January 2026 survey generated 3,656 responses, with 55 percent believing there are too many deer and 59 percent supporting population management. Support for lethal methods was 49 percent in favor, 33 percent opposed, and 18 percent neutral. Ward-level mapping showed geographic variation aligning with areas receiving the most deer-related complaints.

Management options include non-lethal methods like feeding prohibitions (already implemented) and lethal methods such as targeted removal using USDA Wildlife Services or archery programs. Fertility control and relocation are not viable options due to legal restrictions and effectiveness concerns.

Ms. Weisenauer read a public comment received via the website from Shannon Grimm, 6889 Fallen Timbers Drive, Dublin, who wrote:

Leave the deer alone. If people don't like the deer, they can move. We have already removed a lot of trees in our "tree city" which means they are running out of places to live. I have them at my home in Dublin and my office in Dublin. Do not kill the deer. If you kill the deer I will expect all skunks killed as well. Thank you, Shannon

Dr. Lam supported targeted removal based on public safety concerns and questioned metrics for continued monitoring.

Vice Mayor De Rosa moved to place this topic on an upcoming Council work session to hear from the same experts who briefed CSAC.

Ms. Alutto seconded.

Vote on the motion: Ms. Kramb, yes; Ms. Alutto, yes; Dr. Lam, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Vice Mayor De Rosa, yes; Mayor Amorose Groomes, yes; Mr. Keeler, yes.

- Innovation & Technology Quarterly Briefing

Mr. Brown provided the quarterly technology briefing covering customer focus, security, foundational infrastructure, value and impact, and innovation initiatives.

Customer focus improvements include AI tools in the help desk ticketing system and plans for IT leadership training. Help desk satisfaction rates remain at 90-100 percent. A formal IT survey will be conducted to identify additional service opportunities, along with an education series on AI literacy.

Security enhancements include implementing zero trust network architecture, advanced email filtering with promotional folder features for council, and completing 2026 compliance training. The Monday morning update's scam awareness feature generates high engagement among staff.

Infrastructure improvements leverage the Alta Fiber partnership for traffic cabinet connections and radio tower redundancy. The department identified \$42,000 in communication savings and is exploring mobile usage optimization. An experimental laser-based wireless broadband system is being tested for challenging fiber installation locations.

Mr. Brown highlighted several AI applications including video analytics for sewer pipe cleaning, document search tools for city governance, and Microsoft Copilot agents for administrative staff. The department maintains focus on security and governance, working closely with legal counsel on AI policy development.

Dr. Lam inquired about AI governance frameworks, with Mr. Brown confirming work on comprehensive policies beyond current administrative orders. Ms. Alutto requested AI applications for tax services and recreation registration, which Mr. Brown indicated were actively under development. Mayor Amorose Groomes emphasized the need for website redesign to accommodate new AI tools.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ms. O'Callaghan shared the following:

- Upcoming events include the Saint Patrick's Day parade on Saturday (3/14) starting at 11 AM at Metro Center, followed by an attempt to build the world's largest shamrock at Riverside Crossing Park requiring 815 participants.
- Following adoption of the new noise legislation, no engine brake signs will be installed along Hard Road and Riverside Drive on March 12, with comprehensive community education through multiple communication channels.
- The pedestrian and bicycle school safety action plan launched in December and will enter public engagement phase with surveys, interactive mapping, and community meetings to identify infrastructure improvements for student safety.
- Ms. O'Callaghan provided an update on development activity adjacent to Dublin, specifically the proposed Halls Corner PUD (planned unit development) in Jerome Township for a 160,000 square foot Meijer store. The City has submitted formal opposition comments at each review stage and is coordinating with affected residents along the Hyland Croy corridor.
- The annual Golf Club of Dublin operational review was completed with Kemper leadership, showing positive performance metrics. The review document was included in council packets for reference.

COUNCIL REPORTS

- Committee Reports
 - Administrative Committee Report
Vice Mayor De Rosa reported that the Administrative Committee met on March 4 and reviewed a draft council recognition policy to establish consistent parameters for recognition events. The committee also received an introduction to the 2026 board and commission recruitment season, including timeline and anticipated vacancies. The committee concluded with executive session to consider appointment of a public official. The next meeting is scheduled for April 7.

COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE

Mr. Keeler reflected on the February 27 Dublin Education Foundation event, praising their role as an incubator for innovative student projects and thanking staff for showcasing Dublin's planning history.

Vice Mayor De Rosa congratulated the finance team on their award recognition and echoed appreciation for the Education Foundation event featuring student innovations. She

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expressed gratitude for the hard work to execute the State of the City and thanked the Mayor for her contribution to the evening. She also noted attendance at the Chamber's economic development breakfast highlighting positive economic trends led by healthcare spending. Finally, she wished Mayor Amorose Groomes a happy birthday on Friday, March 13th.

Mayor Amorose Groomes mentioned recent meetings including a luncheon with UK mayors discussing shared municipal challenges, the Chamber economic forecast breakfast, followed by the Dublin Methodist Hospital groundbreaking, and ongoing code audit interviews. She thanked residents for State of the City attendance and highlighted the Dublin Women's Philanthropic Club dinner honoring Dr. Sharon Zimmers for her educational contributions.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.



Mayor – Presiding Officer



Clerk of Council