A special meeting of the Groves City Council was held July 23, 2024 in the Groves City Council Chamber with Mayor Chris Borne, Mayor Pro Tem Mark McAdams, Councilmember Pete Konidis, Councilmember Rhonda Dugas in attendance. Councilmember Paul Oliver was not in attendance. Mayor Borne called the meeting to order and Councilmember Dugas then led the prayer and pledge of allegiance. Mayor Borne then welcomed the all attendees.

Mayor Borne also asked if there were any reports and there were none. Mayor Borne then asked for citizen comments and there were none.

RECEIVE FY 2024 - 2025 PROPOSED BUDGET FROM CITY MANAGER: City Manager Kevin Carruth stated that he has the proposed 2024 – 2025 City Budget. Mr. Carruth then informed Council that at this time Council is just receiving the budget and we will have a work shop next week to go over the budget in detail. Mr. Carruth then stated that if Council has any questions between now and then to please give him a call. Mr. Carruth then informed Council that there is a budget message in the front that recaps everything. Mr. Carruth then thanked summer intern Jacob McCutcheon for all of the work he put into reformatting the presentation of the budget.

DELIBERATE AND ACT TO SET THE DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING AT GROVES CITY HALL FOR THE PURPOSE TO REVIEW THE CITY OF GROVES' PROPOSED FY 2024 – 2025 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE: Councilmember Konidis made a motion to deliberate and act to set the date for a Public Hearing at Groves City Hall for the purpose to review the City of Groves' Proposes FY 2024-2025 Appropriation Ordinance for August 5, 2024 at 5 p.m. and Councilmember Dugas seconded. Finance Director Lamar Ozley then informed Council that this Public Hearing is to comply with the Charter requirement. There were no further questions and the motion passed unanimously.

DELIBERATE AND ACT TO SET THE DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING AT GROVES CITY HALL FOR THE PURPOSE TO REVIEW THE CITY OF GROVES' PROPOSED FY 2024 – 2025 BUDGET: Mayor Pro Tem McAdams made a motion to deliberate and act to set the date for a Public Hearing at Groves City Hall for the purpose to review the City of Groves' Proposed FY 2024-2025 Budget scheduled August 5, 2024 at 5 p.m. and Councilmember Konidis seconded. Finance Director Lamar Ozley then informed Council that this Public Hearing is to comply with state law. There were no further questions and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Borne asked for Councilmember comments and Councilmember Dugas asked if there were going to be other workshops scheduled for the department heads to present their budgets to Council and City Manager Kevin Carruth stated that he will be presenting the budget to Council. Councilmember Dugas then asked if the July 31, 2024 workshop is the only one scheduled for the budget and Mr. Carruth stated that is the only one currently scheduled unless Council would like to add more. Councilmember Dugas stated that in previous years the City would have three or four workshops for the budget. City Manager Kevin Carruth then responded that going over the budget line item by line item is not the best use of Council's time. Mr. Carruth then reiterated to Council they have every right to look at every page of the budget and ask him any questions. Mr. Carruth then stated that the department heads brought him their budget requests and he told them yes or no to their requests. There were no further Councilmember comments.

Mayor Borne adjourned the meeting at 5:13 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk