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Meeting Minutes

GRANVILLE-HAVENWOODS ADVISORY COUNCIL

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Wednesday, June 3, 2026

9:00 AM

Virtual

Meeting convened at 9:04 am

1. Roll Call

Present 5 - Erdmann, Chatham, Upshaw, Kaur and Sandhawal

Absent 1 - Britton

Excused 1 - Brookshire

2. Review and approval of the minutes of the May 6, 2026 meeting

Member Rupinder Sandhawal moved approval of the meeting minutes seconded by member Natasha Upshaw. There were no objections

3. Discussion and possible vote on Edward Burlakov - Superior Auto Group LLC at 9438 N 107th St.

Appeared Edward Burlakov

Edward presented a plan for a second location for Superior Auto Group LLC at 9438 North 107th. He has operated a location at 8302 West Lisbon for 16 years.

The new site will serve as an automotive repair and sales facility, focusing on European brands and fleet services for local businesses.

Edward clarified that the building is a warehouse style with offices in the front and a shop area with lifts and vehicle displays in the back.

John Erdmann raised a concern about the high density of repair facilities in a five-mile radius.

Edward responded that his focus on specific European brands and offering pickup/delivery services distinguishes his business from competitors like the nearby Audi/VW specialist.

Member Rupinder Sandhawal moved approval seconded by member Natasha Upshaw.

The committee voted unanimously to approve the application.

4. Discussion and possible vote on Bria Grant - Sesame Street Child Development Center at 7830 W Good Hope Ave.

Appeared Bria Grant

Bria Grant presented her application for a childcare center at 7830 West Good Hope, taking over a lease previously held by Abundant Dreams at the Abundant Faith Church of Integrity.

Bria joins as this will be the first franchise location for "Sesame Street," expanding her brand from her other two childcare facilities.

Natasha Upshaw abstained from the vote as she is franchising her "Sesame Street" brand to Bria for this first franchise location.

Bria expressed frustration regarding the length of the application process, noting she has been paying for the lease since February.

John Erdman explained that the meeting docket is determined by the City of Milwaukee BOSA department and suggested Bria contact them regarding the delay.

John Erdman and Natasha Upshaw offered to connect Bria with local business networks, including the Havenwoods BID 31 and HMP, to discuss the vision for District 9.

Member John Erdman moved approval seconded by member Rupinder Sandhawalia. The committee voted unanimously to approve the application.

Natasha Upshaw abstained from the vote.

5. Discussion and possible vote on Catherine Okoro - Favor Plaza LLC at 8700 W. Brown Deer Rd.

Appeared Catherine Okoro and Authur Okoro

Catherine Okoro and operating manager Arthur Okoro presented a proposal for Flavor Plaza at 8700 West Brown Deer Road, intended as a banquet hall for weddings, graduations, and community events.

Catherine stated that food would be brought in by guests, while alcohol would be controlled exclusively by the business pending BOZA approval.

Security plans included vibrant security, four external cameras, and the use of professional security firms for events with more than 50 guests.

The committee expressed significant concerns regarding parking, noting the site only has 25 spots. Catherine mention that a contract with a neighboring building provides access to an additional 200 spots.

Architect Nicholas Robinson informed the committee that the city recently limited the occupancy of the spaces to 90 and 49 people respectively, which was a significant reduction from the original plan.

John Erdman and Natasha Upshaw mention that the area is oversaturated with event spaces and that the parking situation remained a "recipe for disaster."

The committee voted to deny the application, with John Erdman, Natasha Upshaw, Ramadeep Kaur, and Cyndee Chapman voting against it. Rupinder Sandwalia was the only member open to a contingent approval.

Application was deny 4/1.

6. Set next meeting date.

The committee discussed the next meeting date due to a scheduling conflict for staff.

Sidney Chapman suggested July 8th as the preferred date to avoid the holiday week.

The committee members present agreed that July 8th works for their schedules.

Staff will confirm this date with Alderwoman Taylor and send out a calendar invitation.

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Communication relating to the 2026 activities of the
Granville-Havenwoods Advisory Council.

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Meeting Adjourned at 9:38 am
Carmen O. Roman
Staff Assistant