



# CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

Regular City Council Meeting

Minutes

February 12, 2018

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor McDaniel at 7:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** City Council Chamber, 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills, MI 48326

Present: Mayor McDaniel, Council Members Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, Moniz, and Verbeke

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Tanghe, City Attorney Beckerleg, City Clerk Pierce, Police Lt. Gagnon, Technical Services Coordinator Marsh, City Assessor Griffin, Finance Director/Treasurer Schulz, Deputy Finance Director/Deputy Treasurer Farmer, DPW Director Melchert, Mgr. of Municipal Properties King, Mgr. of Public Utilities Michling, Mgr. of Roads & Fleet Brisson, City Engineer Juidici, Management Intern Thomas

5 Guests

## 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4a. Regular City Council Minutes – January 22, 2018

**Moved by Kittle, Seconded by Verbeke.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the City Council Minutes of January 22, 2018.**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.02.019**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

## 5. APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

5a. Motion – To confirm the appointment of Frank Schoenbaechler to the Board of Review

**Moved by Knight, Seconded by Moniz.**

**RESOLVED: To confirm the appointment of Frank Schoenbaechler for a term ending December 31, 2021.**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.02.020**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

5b. 2017 4th Quarter Report, Presentation by Brian Green, AndCo.

Mr. Brian Green of AndCo presented the fourth quarter report. He presented that in the 2017 calendar year there were rising interest rates for cash investors. Looking at the December 31, 2017 report there was a .98% increase outperforming the policy index. The full report is in the City Council Packet.

## 6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chris Jackson 486 Fildew Ave., Pontiac was present and stated that he is running for the State Representative position in the 29<sup>th</sup> District.

## 7. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed are considered to be routine by the City council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

7a. Board and Commission Minutes

7a1. Tax Increment Finance Authority – January 9, 2018

7a2. Public Safety Advisory Committee – January 23, 2018

7b. Motion – To receive the 2017 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Cash and Investment Interim Report.

**RESOLVED: To receive and file the AndCo Consulting 4th Quarter 2017 Cash Management Summary and Executive reports.**

7c. Motion - To accept the bid by Cynergy Wireless for the 2018 Police Vehicle changeovers.

**RESOLVED: To accept the bid of Cynergy Wireless for the 2018 Vehicle changeovers, and authorize the City Manager to convey acceptance by purchase order in the amount of \$29,684.**

7d. Motion – To appoint an Alternate Member Representative for North Oakland County Water Authority Board of Directors.

**RESOLVED: To appoint DPW Public Utilities Manager, Mark Michling to replace former DPW Deputy Director, Jeff Herczeg, as the alternate Member Representative to the NOCWA Board of Directors.**

**Moved by Knight, Seconded by Verbeke.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the Consent Agenda.**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.02.021**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

9a. Public Hearing/Motion – To approve the request for a new IFEC – FEV North America, Inc.

Bill Griffin presented the request for an IFEC, Industrial Facility Exemption Certificate, of FEV North America, 1300 Harmon Rd. This is a request for current and previous tax exemptions. On October 24, 2016, City Council amended the policy and allowed the FEV application to receive tax credits. The first phase of the project will fall under the old policy and the second phase will qualify under new policy. Mr. Richard Appelman the Executive Vice president of FEV North America, Inc was also present to answer any questions and shared his excitement to be working within Auburn Hills.

Mayor McDaniel opened the Public Hearing at 7:21PM. Hearing no comments, he closed the Public Hearing at 7:21PM.

**Moved by Knight, Seconded by Moniz.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the request for an 8-year IFEC for FEV North America, Inc. for a total real property investment of \$6,327,613 by adopting the attached resolution. (Attachment A)**

Mr. Knight shared that he is not in opposition to this approval but shared his concerns about the length of time of this abatement.

Mayor McDaniel clarified that FEV applied for this credit prior to the implementation of the new policy. City Manager Tanghe clarified that their next investment will fall under the new policy. He shared that the old policy granted, covered an eight-year abatement and required the company to stay two years past the eight years to comply with what was in place at the time of approval.

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.02.022**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

9b. Motion – To approve the purchase of Dell PowerEdge R630 Server and Licensing.

Lt. Gagnon shared that the current video server has run its course and has been out of warranty for three years. He is requesting this server and licensing due to the increased demands of the police. The new server will take the information from in car videos, building recordings, interview recordings, body cameras, audio recordings, business surveillance systems, citizen recordings and store it in one place. He explained that currently it takes time to download information. Lt Gagnon stated that the new equipment would help improve workflow. Lt. Gagnon explained that this system would protect data and make it easier to access, which is a #1 priority. Studies of this program show that it significantly improves the efficiency of workflow with easier redaction processes allowing officers to be on the roads longer. He clarified that this system will be located within the police department and you must have police access to obtain the information. He also shared that this system was awarded the State of Michigan MiDeal award.

Mr. Moniz questioned if the County would have access to this system. Lt. Gagnon stated that the County would not have access to this information.

In a response to a question by Mr. Moniz, Lt. Gagnon explained that the type of investigation determines the retention period. He stated that currently information is stored to DVDs but those will degrade over time. The information that is currently on DVDs will be transferred to the new server system.

Mr. Kittle asked if there are other options available such as the cloud. Lt. Gagnon explained that there is no cloud storage with this system. Mr. Marsh clarified that because this is a law enforcement issue, they need to follow the FBI CJIS guidelines for data security, which is different from the normal cloud options. There are only three FBI CJIS clouds in the country, two are owned by Microsoft, and the other by Amazon. After evaluating the cost plus the four-year projecting costs, it would be four times as much to store information to the cloud, as it would be to store it on site. Mr. Marsh added that there would be back up costs coming at a later request.

Mr. Moniz questioned if there were any grants to support this type of upgrade to the Department. Lt. Gagnon shared that there are grants through the MML, but they did not meet the department needs.

**Moved by Knight, Seconded by Moniz.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the purchase a Dell PowerEdge R630 Server, Microsoft Windows Server software, and VMware vSphere software/support licenses from CDW-G at a cost of \$29,231.68 and authorize the City Manager to convey acceptance by purchase order.**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.02.023**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

9c. Motion – To approve the purchase of Hewlett-Packard 7200 3PAR Storage Area Network Expansion.

Lt. Gagnon share that this is the portion of the equipment where all the information will be stored. This purchase went out to bid and the department received two bids. Logicalis was the lowest bid. This system is expandable and the startup costs cover twelve hard drives, unit and shelving.

**Moved by Burmeister, Seconded by Verbeke.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of an HP 7200 3PAR Storage Area Network Expansion from Logicalis at a cost of \$27,959.80 and authorize the City Manager to convey acceptance by purchase order.**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.02.024**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

9d. Motion - To approve the purchase of Digital Evidence Management and Video Redaction Software.

Lt. Gagnon explained that Finalcover is the company that is being recommended. The department appreciated the new features that are provided. The most appealing feature was the cell phone capability with an app. By using this app the information taken at an investigation will be stored directly to a computer at the station, not the phone, keeping the officers on the road longer. This system will also make it possible to track FOIA request more efficiently. Lt. Gagnon shared that this software would change the way digital evidence is shared concerning FOIAs which is becoming an overwhelming portion to the department.

**Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Moniz.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of Digital Evidence Management and Video Redaction Software from Finalcover, LLC at a cost of \$32,344.00 and authorize the City Manager to convey acceptance by purchase order.**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.02.025**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

City Manager Tanghe took a moment to recognize Mr. Marsh. He shared that when the City made the transition to County Dispatch the City kept Mr. Marsh for his expertise and he represents the City well.

9e. Motion – To approve the purchase of Michigan CAT Predator Stump Grinder Attachment

Mr. King presented the need for this new attachment, which will replace the previous part that was purchased in 2000. The research was done and there are safety features that are included. It will work with the current equipment and is under budget.

**Moved by Moniz, Seconded by Verbeke.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of the Predator Stump Grinder Attachment from Michigan CAT Power Systems, 2500 Novi Rd., Novi, MI 48375 for \$12,875.00 to be paid for from the 2018 Approved Budget, Account # 661-442-977.000.**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.02.026**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

## **10. COMMENTS AND MOTIONS FROM COUNCIL**

Ms. Hammond –

- Expressed concern that there is an injured coyote in the neighborhood due to a resident setting out a trap. She feels there needs to get better communication on these types of calls with dispatch and the residents need to be reminded that there is no trapping nor hunting in Auburn Hills.

Lt. Gagnon stated the Police would not try to catch the coyote if found. The only way to solve this issue would be to put it down.

Mr. Knight –

- Shared his concern with all the items that are going on downtown. He is perplexed as to why the City is moving forward with private development while Opdyke Road is being redone. He feels the City should delay the paving and the sewer portions and focus on building the park. Once that is done, redirect traffic as to not have trucks moving around downtown. Mr. Kittle supports Mr. Knight with the projects and road construction. Mr. Knight stated that he understands why it should be approved and he does support it.

Mayor McDaniel stated that the City would review and discuss the rational with the timing.

City Manager Tanghe shared that staff will look at the coordination of the projects and will follow up with notes to Council.

- Shared that the DDA needs to look at parking for the future. City Manager Tanghe explained that there are plenty of parking spaces downtown. He noted that the structure is never full.

Mr. Kittle –

- Asked Mr. Griffin if the Board of Review only reviews residential properties or do they also review Industrial/Commercial properties. Mr. Griffin explained that generally the Industrial/Commercial properties go right to the tax tribunal.

Mr. Moniz –

- Questioned Mr. Melchert as to when the bid opening for the Downtown Development road project was going to take place. Mr. Melchert stated that is scheduled for February 16, 2018.

Mr. Burmeister –

- Questioned Mr. Melchert on how the City was doing with salt. Mr. Melchert stated that the City is doing well. There was an action plan was put together if the last salt order was not received. Mr. Brisson noted that there is plenty of salt for the season. There is no reason for concern.

Ms. Verbeke questioned Mr. Brisson as to why the County has not done a better job at clearing the roads. Mr. Brisson stated that he felt the County does a good job, the City may be ahead of the County, but the County has more ground to cover.

Mayor McDaniel –

- Stated that he would like to applaud the DPW for the great job they have done with the snow this season. He has heard from neighboring communities and they are commenting on the roads in Auburn Hills and how they are plowed better.

**11. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

**12. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

- Acknowledged the passing Dominic Mocerì. Mr. Mocerì built his Company headquarters in Auburn Hills and has many companies around Southeast Michigan. He expressed his condolences on behalf of the City of Auburn Hills.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned at 8:26 PM.

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**Kevin R. McDaniel, Mayor**

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**Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk**

**ATTACHMENT A**

**CITY OF AUBURN HILLS  
RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE  
FOR FEV NORTH AMERICA, INC.**

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Auburn Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, held in the Council Chambers at 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills MI 48326 on the **12<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018**.

The following resolution was offered by Councilperson Knight and supported by Councilperson Moniz:

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.A. 198, 1974, M.C.L. 207.551 et seq., after a duly noticed public hearing held on the **5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1986**, the City of Auburn Hills, established an Industrial Development District, commonly referred to as the **De Mattia Development Company Industrial Development District; and**

WHEREAS, **FEV North America, Inc** has filed an application for an Industrial Facility Exemption Certificate with the Clerk of the City of Auburn Hills with respect to proposed new **real property** within the **De Mattia Development Company Industrial Development District; and**

WHEREAS, before acting on said application, the City Council of Auburn Hills held a hearing on the **12<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018** at a regularly scheduled meeting, at which time the applicant, the assessor, and a representative of the affected taxing units were given written notice and were afforded an opportunity to be heard on said application; and

WHEREAS, construction of the facility has not begun earlier than six (6) months before **30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2018**, the date of the acceptance of the application for the Industrial Facility Exemption Certificate; and

WHEREAS, completion of the **real property** is calculated to and will at the time of issuance of the certificate have the reasonable likelihood to retain, create or prevent the loss of employment in Auburn Hills; and

WHEREAS, the aggregate SEV of real and personal property exempt from ad valorem taxes within the City of Auburn Hills after granting this certificate **will exceed 5%** of an amount equal to the sum of the SEV of the unit, plus the SEV of real property thus exempted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the City Council of Auburn Hills that:

1. The City Council of Auburn Hills finds and determines that the granting of this Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate, together with the aggregate amount of the certificates previously granted and currently in force, under PA 198 of 1974, and PA 225 of 1978, **shall not** have the effect of substantially impeding the operation of the City of Auburn Hills, or of impairing the financial soundness of a taxing unit which levies ad valorem property taxes in the City of Auburn Hills.
2. The application from **FEV North America, Inc.** for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate with respect to the **New Construction of Real Property** on the following described parcel of real property situated within the **De Mattia Development Company Industrial Development District; to wit;**

The real property parcel the facility is located on is identified as tax parcel **02-14-04-426-018**, having an address **1300 Harmon Rd.**, City of Auburn Hills, MI 48326, including:

T3N, R10E, SEC 3 & 4 METRO NORTH TECHNOLOGY PARK PART OF LOT 23 BEG AT PT DIST S 86-58-22 W 216 FT & S 89-23-31 W 278.64 FT FROM NE LOT COR, TH S 00-36-29 E 433 FT, TH S 34-01-17 W 163.49 FT, TH S 30-53-45 W 65 FT, TH S 59-06-15 E 44.30 FT, TH S 18-23-31 W 265.19 FT, TH ALG CURVE TO RIGHT, RAD 3716.72 FT, CHORD BEARS N 62-19-22 W 417.37 FT, DIST OF 417.59 FT, TH N 30-53-45 E 392.27 FT, TH N 00-36-29 W 364.62 FT, TH N 89-23-31 E 338 FT TO BEG 4-22-93 FR 015

is hereby approved for **real property improvements**.

**3.** The Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate when issued shall be and remain in force and effect for a period of **eight (8) years**, and the starting date for the certificate is **December 31, 2018** and the ending date is **December 30, 2026**.

**4.** The total project investment approved is **\$6,327,613**.

**5. FEV North America, Inc.** agrees to operate the facility for which the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate is granted for the term of the certificate, plus an additional **two years** after the date of the certificate’s expiration.

AYES: 7  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

STATE OF MICHIGAN)  
  )SS  
COUNTY OF OAKLAND)

I, the undersigned, the duly appointed City Clerk for the City of Auburn Hills, Oakland County, Michigan do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Auburn Hills City Council held on the **12<sup>th</sup> day of February 2018**.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature on **this 13th day of February 2018**.

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Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk