



## CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

### Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

March 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, and Moniz

Absent: Council Member Verbeke

Also Present: City Manager Tanghe, City Attorney Beckerleg, City Clerk Pierce, Fire Chief Manning, Police Lt. Gagnon, DPW Director Melchert, Finance Director/Treasurer Schulz, City Assessor Griffin, City Engineer Juidici, Mgr. of Public Utilities Michling, Mgr. of Fleet and Roads Brisson, Director of Authorities Seimer, Recreation Director Marzolf, Mgr. of Fieldstone Golf Club Marmion, Deputy DPW Director Stahly, Management Assistant Intern Benoit

14 Guests

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4a. Regular City Council Minutes – February 26, 2018

**Moved by Kittle, Seconded by Hammond.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the City Council Minutes of February 26, 2018.**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz  
No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.03.034**

**Motion Carried (6 - 0)**

#### 5. APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

5a. Appointment to the Beautification Advisory Commission.

Ms. Robinson introduced herself. Mr. Kittle shared that he is not in support of any addition to the Beautification Advisory Commission until the authorizing ordinance is in alignment and the mission and purpose are clearly defined.

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

**RESOLVED: To confirm the appointment of LaKesia Robinson to the Beautification Advisory Commission for a term ending December 31, 2020.**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz  
No: Kittle**

**Resolution No. 18.03.035**

**Motion Carried (5 - 1)**

5b. Reappointment of Members to the Public Safety Advisory Committee:

Mayor McDaniel introduced the names of those being reappointed to the Public Safety Advisory Committee.

**Moved by Knight, Seconded by Kittle.**

**RESOLVED: To confirm the reappointment of Jay Boelter, Eugene Hawkins, Donearl Johnson, Forrest Taylor to the Public Safety Advisory Committee for two-year terms ending November 20, 2019.**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz**  
**No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.03.036**

**Motion Carried (6 - 0)**

Mr. Tanghe introduced the new Director of Public Works, Aaron Stahly and Mr. David Benoit, the Management Assistant for the City Manager's Office.

## **6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Pastor Corey James of Community Impact Church located at 3454 Auburn Rd., invited the Council to an Active Shooter Training held at his church.

Mr. Mike Green of the American Legion Post #143 invited Council and the City to the Memorial Day parade, May 28, 2018. He stated that it is planned to be the same route as in the past. He also shared that on June 9, 2018 a Flag retirement ceremony will be held. This event is held to properly destroy any unserviceable American Flags.

## **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. Downtown Development Authority – February 19, 2018

### 7b. Motion - To approve Fieldstone Lift Station Replacement Bid Award

**RESOLVED: To approve amending Transfers to Golf from General Fund (101-901-999.501) with an increased expense of \$23,579.00, amend both of the Fieldstone Golf Club Fund Transfer from General Fund revenue (594-753-699.472) and Machinery and Equipment expense (584-753-977.000) with an increase of \$23,579.00, and award the Fieldstone Lift Station Replacement to TSP Environmental in the amount of \$43,579.00 to be paid from the Fieldstone Golf Club Fund Machinery and Equipment account (584-753-977-000).**

### 7c. Motion - To approve IT Services agreement between Oakland County and Auburn Hills.

**RESOLVED: To approve the attached five (5) year Agreement of I.T. Services between Oakland County and the City of Auburn Hills and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreements on behalf of the City.**

### 7d. Motion - To approve a resolution to accept (eastern portion) of Taylor Road as a City road.

**RESOLVED: To approve a resolution to accept the addition of 1,098 feet of the eastern portion of Taylor Road as it intersects with Lapeer Road as a city-owned Major Street. (Attachment A)**

**Moved by Knight, Seconded by Burmeister.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the consent agenda.**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz**  
**No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.03.037**

**Motion Carried (6 - 0)**

## **8. OLD BUSINESS**

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

### 9a. Motion - To approve the 2018 Liquor License Renewals.

Ms. Pierce presented the establishments that are in compliance with the ordinance for approval of their annual Liquor License. She explained that Council may hold a Public Hearing to consider objecting to the

renewal of the Liquor License for Clubhouse 81 and Duffy's Pub due to do remaining balances owed to the City.

Mr. Moniz stated his concerns regarding Romano's Macaroni Grill being in bankruptcy and not seeing the money owed to the City. Mr. Beckerleg stated that due to the bankruptcy the City has to approve the liquor license.

**Moved by Knight, Seconded by Kittle.**

**RESOLVED: To recommend approval of the annual liquor licenses of those establishments that have met the licensing requirements of the City; and that a public hearing be scheduled for Monday, March 26, 2018 to consider evidence regarding the recommendation of non-renewal of a liquor license to those establishments who have not met the City's requirements as stated in Section 6-10 (2) of the City Code "All personal property taxes and all real property taxes and all other obligations due and payable to the city shall be timely paid and not outstanding."**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz  
No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.03.038**

**Motion Carried (6 - 0)**

9b. Motion - To award the Downtown Road and Water Main Rehabilitation Project to Pamar Enterprises and to approve the budget amendment.

Mr. Melchert presented the project for the water main replacement. The project will contain curb bump outs, new paving, and replacement of tree boxes, soil with up lighting and irrigation in the entire downtown area. Discussion is still taking place regarding the species of tree that will be planted.

Mr. Knight shared his concerns regarding the flower boxes located by Dairy Queen. His concern is that the height of the box inhibits vision with the road and is a traffic hazard. He also questioned the water main capacity being the same size or if the piping will be increased. Mr. Melchert stated that only the pipes near Opdyke will increase from a 12 inch to a 16 inch main.

Ms. Hammond shared that she hopes the issues of the boxes needing to be planted with annuals can be rectified with these improvements. She would like to see what the cost is for not only the contract but also the amount spent on flowers every year.

Mr. Grice shared that perennials bring an unsightliness with the transition of seasons. He stated that the intention is to have a constant flush of color in the downtown area.

Mayor McDaniel shared that it might be wise to do a cost analyst for future decision regarding maintenance and annuals vs. perennials.

Mr. Kittle stated that this would be a great project for the Beautification Advisory Commission.

Discussion was had regarding angle parking vs. reverse angle parking. Mr. Knight stated that the health, welfare and safety for the City is the responsibility of the Council. He stated that he is concerned with the parking in the downtown area.

Mr. Moniz questioned if there was a significant number of accidents from parking concerns. Lt. Gagnon was not aware of any significant number of accidents from reverse parking vs. angle parking. Mr. Juidici stated that both types of parking work from a traffic flow standpoint. He stated that pull in angle parking curbs are being built.

Mayor McDaniel clarified that studies show both are safe. It is more of preference.

Mr. Kittle shared that with an aging community and population there will be mobility challenges. These challenges should be kept in mind when having these types of discussions.

Mr. Tanghe stated that by not hearing adequate support to change to the reverse angle parking, at a previous meeting, the staff moved forward.

**Moved by Moniz, Seconded by Kittle.**

**RESOLVED: To approve award of the Downtown Road and Water Main Rehabilitation Project contract to Pamar Enterprises, Inc., New Haven, MI, for \$3,603,533.00, along with the Scope of Construction Services cost of \$387,900.00 as provided by OHM Advisors and the Materials Testing Services estimate for \$85,000.00. Also, approve a budget amendment to the Water Fund with an increase in expense of \$400,000.00 (592-536-977.001) and approve the amendment to the Construction Fund to reflect the appropriate remaining bond amount with an increase in expense of \$275,000 (401-901-973.000).**

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz  
No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.03.039**

**Motion Carried (6 - 0)**

9c. Motion - To approve the Riverside Amphitheater Project

Mr. Melchert explained that the funding and plans are now set to make this a viable project.

Mr. Tanghe stated that this project has come to execution due to the great effort between the Auburn Hills Community Foundation, staff and TIFA. Proper credit and public recognition should be given to those that worked so hard to make this possible.

Mr. Moniz shared his concerns regarding the maintenance and upkeep on a project such as this. Mr. Melchert clarified that DPW will oversee the upkeep and water outlets. Anything major will be contracted out. He shared that City water will be used and the drainage will go to the sewer lines.

Mayor McDaniel thanked Mr. Knight for his contribution to seeing this project come to fruition and investing in the youth of our community.

Mr. Juidici stated that the construction for this project will be in phases, the Amphitheatre will start near the end of April with completion in the Fall, 2018. While the road portion of the project will start April 2, 2018 being completed near November, 2018.

Mr. Tanghe stated that although the projects will be started the ground breaking will take place on May 11, 2018.

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

**RESOLVED: To approve award of the contract for the Riverside Park Amphitheater Project to Warren Contractors and Development, Inc., 14979 Technology Dr., Shelby Township, MI 48315, for \$970,469.00, along with the Scope of Construction Services cost of \$173,600.00 as provided by OHM Advisors and the Materials Testing Services estimate for \$20,000.00. Project funding is available from the TIFA-A account number 251-735-970.000, Tree Fund account number 242-447-955.002, and the Auburn Hills Community Foundation.**

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

No: None

**Resolution No. 18.03.040**

**Motion Carried (6 - 0)**

9d. Motion - To approve the additional purchase of bulk road salt

Mr. Brisson shared that the salt inventory is lower than normal but this year has been an exceptional year for weather concerns. He shared that any unused salt will be stored in the salt dome at the DPW station.

Mr. Moniz thanked the DPW for a great season.

**Moved by Burmeister, Seconded by Moniz.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of additional bulk road salt form Detroit Salt, Inc., 12841 Sanders, Detroit, MI 48217 at a cost of \$45,271.00. Funding is provided from Major Streets 202-452-784.000 and Local Streets 203-453-784.000.**

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

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 18.03.041**

**Motion Carried (6 - 0)**

**10. COMMENTS AND MOTIONS FROM COUNCIL**

Ms. Hammond

- Thanked Mr. Tanghe for the quick movement of removing the barriers in the downtown area that was blocking the flow of traffic.
- Questioned if there will be concerts in the park this summer. Mr. Marzolf stated that two concerts will be held June, two in July and two in August by the Log Cabin.

Mr. Knight

- Suggested a flower box program and would employ a student to clean the flower boxes and change the flowers as needed.
- Shared his concerns with the parking. He would like to see a 5 year plan that would take care of parking concerns in the area.
- Shared that the Youth Assistance Council will honor 80-90 young people from Avondale Schools for positive contributions on Wednesday, March 21, 2018.

Mr. Burmeister

- Thanked Mr. Tanghe for the Oakland University meet and greet.

Mayor McDaniel

- Thanked staff and Mr. Tanghe for the positive relationships being built with partners in the area.

**11. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

**12. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Tanghe

- Credit goes to the new owners of the building that was at one time Your Source. They were very cooperative working with Community Development to remove the parking blocks within 48 hours.
- Council asked that Mr. Tanghe follow up with Dr. Ciaramitaro after the last City Council meeting. The City will try to mitigate his concerns, however the City does have an approve site plan and the City will continue to move forward with the plans as they try to work through any unresolved issues.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no objections, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

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**Kevin R. McDaniel, Mayor**

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**Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk**

## ATTACHMENT A

### TAYLOR ROAD CENTERLINE DESCRIPTION

(Part of Parcel Number: 02-14-11-326-006)

A parcel of land being a part of the West 1/2 of Section 11, Town 3 North, Range 10 East, City of Auburn Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the North 1/4 of Section 10, Town 3 North, Range 10 East, City of Auburn Hills; thence N 86°53'49" E 1313.94 feet; thence S 02°52'32" E 290.12 feet; thence N 86°53'49" E 657.39 feet; thence S 55°22'56" E 165.78 feet; thence S 83°36'12" E 531.93 feet; thence N 80°11'22" E 100.53 feet; thence S 34°30'21" E 2657.12 feet; thence N 89°37'43" W 56.75 feet along the North line of parcel number 02-14-11-326-006 to the centerline of reconstructed section of Taylor Road, also being the Point of Beginning; thence along the reconstructed centerline the following five (5) courses: 1) S 34°37'09" E 759.0 feet, 2) 142.79 feet along a curve to the right having a radius of 205.0 feet, delta 39°54'35", chord bears S 14°39'52" E 139.93 feet, 3) S 05°17'26" W 59.05 feet, 4) 103.20 feet along a curve to the left having a radius of 450.0 feet, delta 13°08'24", chord bears S 01°16'46" E 102.98 feet, 5) S 07°50'58" E 9.67 feet to a point on the North line Opdyke Road, also being the Point of Ending. Subject to all easements and restrictions of record, if any.