



## CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

City Council Workshop

Minutes

November 12, 2018

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor McDaniel at 5:30 PM

**LOCATION:** Admin Conference Room, 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills, MI 48326  
Present: Mayor McDaniel, Council Members Burmeister, Kittle, Knight, Moniz, Verbeke

Absent: Council Member Hammond

Also Present: City Manager Tanghe, Assistant City Manager Grice, City Attorney Beckerleg, City Clerk Pierce, Police Chief Baker, Fire Chief Taylor, Assistant Fire Chief Macias, City Assessor Griffin, Director of Senior Services Adcock, Director of Community Development Cohen

Chief Baker presented an update on the Police Department. He discussed the criminal trends comparing 2017 and 2018. In addition, Chief Baker updated Council on the following:

- A temporary traffic control order has been issued to prohibited truck traffic on N. Squirrel Rd. from Auburn to 150' south of M-50, and local delivery on Auburn from Churchill to Adams, Squirrel Court from Auburn to Squirrel and to prohibit turns to encourage truck traffic to avoid downtown. He further discussed the enforcement plan as a result of the traffic control orders.
- Staff training has increased.
- Due to the significant volume of calls in the Retail District/Business Improvement District, a plan is being developed to allow for better coverage of the area and to recoup costs.
- The department has a three member rotational agreement for towing. Each company has agreed to the standardized towing fees as set by the Michigan State Police. He confirmed for Council that the agreement requires each company to train staff and perform an annual background/licensing check on each driver.
- The department is going through the accreditation process and expects to be fully accredited in June, 2019.
- The cadet program has been revamped by converting the front desk officers to cadets. The cadets will be in uniform and handle non-priority issues. It will allow the department to evaluate those working as cadets for future hiring as a police officer. This is expected to begin in the first quarter of 2019.
- Graduates of the Citizens Police Academy will be solicited to join the VIP Program to volunteer to assist the department with training, special events, information booths, and other non-enforcement work.
- Through the Community Policing Program officers are assigned to neighborhood zones for increased in neighborhood patrols, an additional presence in the neighborhood, and to enhance the relationship with the residents.
- Revamped performance evaluations.
- Implemented a dedicated traffic enforcement unit.
- Implementing a Chaplin program.
- Implemented the Hopes not Handcuff program.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

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**Kevin R. McDaniel, Mayor**

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**Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk**