



# CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

## City Council Workshop

### Minutes

OCTOBER 7, 2024

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

**LOCATION:** Admin Conference Room, City Hall, 1827 N. Squirrel Rd, Auburn Hills, MI 48326

Present: Mayor Marzolf, Council Members Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, and Verbeke

Absent: Council Member McDaniel

Also Present: City Manager Tanghe, Assistant City Manager Skopek, City Attorney Beckerleg, Clerk Pierce, Chief of Police Gagnon, Fire Chief Massingill, Community Development Director Cohen, Asst to Dir./Construction Coord. Lang, Economic Development Mgr Carroll, DPW Director Baldante, Mgr of Public Utilities Deman, Mgr of Roads & Fleet Hefner, Recreation and Senior Services Director Adcock, Finance Director/Treasurer Schulz, Deputy Treasurer Vittone, Management Assistant Hagge, Engineer Judici

0 Guests

The topic of the workshop was the presentation of the proposed 2025 budget (2 of 2).

Ms. Schulz presented the proposed 2025 budget. She explained that after the last workshop, staff reviewed the projects and pushed out the Cross Creek project. Mr. Baldante explained that this is based on the current environment and if prices come down, this project could be moved sooner.

Mr. Vittone reviewed the internal service fund and the capital plan for the fleet fund. It was noted that in the infrastructure department funds are set aside for emergency repairs.

The TIFA, Brownfield, and DDA funds were reviewed. City Council does not take action on these budgets as the Boards approve them. Discussion ensued regarding adding lighting along Primary Street as it is a main road to the parking structure. It was also noted that the DDA capture sunsets in 2029 and City Council will need to review this in a couple years.

Ms. Schulz reviewed the overall budget and provided an overview of items that are budgeted in various funds. Discussion ensued regarding the road millage. Ms. Schulz confirmed that the millage does not cover the capital improvements in the roads. She showed the impact to the general fund. In response to a question regarding the parking structure, it was noted that staff is reviewing funding opportunities. It was noted that construction is anticipated to start in 2026.

The workshop adjourned at 6:35 PM.

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Brain W. Marzolf, Mayor

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Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk

