

CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 21, 2024

CALL TO ORDER & Mayor Marzolf at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

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

Absent: Council Member McDaniel

Also Present: City Manager Tanghe, Assistant City Manager Skopek, City Attorney Beckerleg, City Clerk Pierce, Chief of Police Gagnon, Fire Chief Massingill, DPW Director Baldante, Mgr of Public Utilities Deman, Mgr of Roads & Fleet Hefner, Mgr of Municipal Properties Wisser, Finance Director/Treasurer Schulz, Deputy Treasurer Vittone, Accountant Faulk, Community Development Director Cohen, Economic Development Mgr Carroll, Fieldstone Golf Club Mgr Hierlihy, Management Assistant Hagge,

Engineers Juidici & Driesenga

12 Guests

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4a. City Council Workshop Minutes, October 7, 2024.

Moved by Knight, Seconded by Ferguson.

RESOLVED: To approve the City Council Workshop Minutes of October 7, 2024.

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 24.10.154 Motion Carried (6 - 0)

4b. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes, October 7, 2024.

Moved by Knight, Seconded by Hawkins.

RESOLVED: To approve the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2024.

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 24.10.155 Motion Carried (6 - 0)

5. APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

5a. Insight Investments Portfolio Review, presentation by Mary Donovan

Ms. Donovan from Insight Investments provided an update on the investment portfolio.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Josh Wroby of 1830 Grandview St. spoke to concerns on his private road.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Knight requested Items 7f and 7g be removed from the Consent Agenda.

7a. Motion – To update and approve the City's Investment Policy as of October 21, 2024.

RESOLVED: To update the City's Investment Policy as reviewed and approved as of October 21, 2024.

7b. Motion – To approve the list of authorized depositories.

RESOLVED: To adopt the resolution herein approving the list of authorized depositories for City funds. (Attachment A)

7c. Motion – To approve the list of authorized brokers/dealers.

RESOLVED: To adopt the resolution above approving the attached list of authorized broker/dealers used by the Investment Manager on behalf of the City. (Attachment B)

7d. Motion – To receive the third quarter Cash Management Investment Performance Review.

RESOLVED: To receive and file the Mariner Consulting 3rd quarter Cash Management Investment Performance Review.

7e. Motion – To support the City Clerk's candidacy as Region V Director for the IIMC.

RESOLVED: To support City Clerk Laura Pierce's candidacy as Region V Director for the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.

7h. Motion – To approve the purchase of two Kubota Rugged Terrain Vehicles (RTVs).

RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of a Kubota RTVX2-PKLHS24 and a Kubota RTV-X1100CRL-H from Weingartz Supply Co. of Utica Michigan for the total price of \$43,258.14.

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Ferguson.

RESOLVED: To approve the Consent Agenda.

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 24.10.156 Motion Carried (6 - 0)

Mr. Knight shared that he is directly impacted by items 7f & 7g.

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Fletcher.

RESOLVED: To allow Mr. Knight to abstain from voting on Items 7f & 7g.

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 24.10.157 Motion Carried (6 - 0)

7f. Motion – To adopt the Exemption Resolution for Employee Contribution to Healthcare.

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Fletcher.

RESOLVED: To adopt the attached resolution titled: Resolution to Adopt the Annual Exemption Option as Set Forth in 2011 Public Act 152, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act. (Attachment C)

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Marzolf, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 24.10.158 Motion Carried (5 - 0)

7g. Motion – To adopt the Resolution to Reduce Employee Contribution Cost Share for Medical and Prescription Drug Plan Coverage for Calendar Year 2025.

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Ferguson.

RESOLVED: To adopt the attached resolution titled: Resolution to Reduce Employee Contribution Cost Share for Medical and Prescription Drug Plan Coverage for Calendar Year 2025. (Attachment D)

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Marzolf, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 24.10.159 Motion Carried (5 - 0)

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

9a. Motion – To accept the First Reading of an Ordinance to amend Section 70-361. - Parking offenses; fines, of Article VII – Stopping, Standing, and Parking of Chapter 70- Traffic and Vehicles, of the Auburn Hills City Code and Set for Public Hearing and Second Reading / Adoption at the Meeting of November 11, 2024.

Mr. Cohen presented the necessity to address the parking offenses that are taking place in the downtown area. This ordinance would prohibit long-term parking or storage of vehicles on municipal properties. This ordinance would also prohibit parking covered or tarped vehicles in and Downtown City-owned off-street parking areas. The parking spaces along Auburn Road will not be covered by this ordinance because they are covered under another ordinance.

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Ferguson.

RESOLVED: To accept the First Reading of an Ordinance to amend Section 70-361. - Parking offenses; fines, of Article VII – Stopping, Standing, and Parking of Chapter 70- Traffic and Vehicles, of the Auburn Hills City Code and Set for Public Hearing and Second Reading / Adoption at the Meeting of November 11, 2024.

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 24.10.160 Motion Carried (6 - 0)

9b. Public Hearing/Motion – To adopt the 2025 Budget and 2024 Millage Rates.

Mr. Vittone presented the 2025 Budget and 2024 Millage Rates and explained that this item has been thoroughly discussed at the past workshops. It was shared that a utility rate increase of 1% in water and a 5% increase in sewer for 2025 is due to the anticipated debt passed from Oakland County for regional projects and capital improvements. The 5% sewer rate increase is anticipated yearly through 2027 then the city expects to reduce the annual increase to 3%. The full budget can be viewed at the City Clerk's Office.

Mayor Marzolf opened the Public Hearing at 7:52 PM.

Hearing no public comment, the Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 7:53 PM.

Ms. Verbeke thanked staff for listening to the feedback regarding the road project that was discussed during the workshop. She feels the city is being fiscally responsible.

Moved by Fletcher, Seconded by Knight.

RESOLVED: To accept and adopt the proposed 2025 budget for the City and to approve the proposed millage rates for the City and Library for the 2024 tax year.

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 24.10.161 Motion Carried (6 - 0)

<u>9c. Motion – To award the 2025 Fieldstone Golf Club bunker renovation project to Midwest Golf Development, Inc.</u>

Mr. Hierlihy presented the bunker renovation project for Fieldstone Golf Club. He stated that the life expectancy of a sand bunker is 10-15 years, and the current bunkers are over 25 years old and showing signs of deterioration. This project is budgeted in the 2025 Fieldstone Golf Club operating budget. It was shared that the City has not worked with Midwest Golf Development in the past but the referral check came back with stellar reviews. The timing of the project will take place prior to the opening in the Spring of 2025.

Moved by Hawkins, Seconded by Ferguson.

RESOLVED: To award the 2025 Fieldstone Golf Club Bunker Renovation to Midwest Golf Development Inc., dba Golf Creations in an amount not to exceed \$723,200.00. Furthermore, to authorize the City Manager to convey acceptance by purchase order.

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 24.10.162

Motion Carried (6 - 0)

9d. Motion – To authorize the design scope of services for the Library and Fieldstone Golf Course dredging projects.

Mr. Wisser presented the need to dredge the Fieldstone Golf Course Pond and the Library retention basins. These key storm water management areas are part of the City's capital improvement plan and will be restored to the original design capacity.

Moved by Knight, Seconded by Fletcher.

RESOLVED: To authorize the design scope of services for the Fieldstone Golf Course and Library dredging projects, approving OHM Advisors' engineering services for a not-to-exceed cost of \$75,000 and G2 Consulting's geotechnical services for an estimated cost of \$7,270.

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 24.10.163

Motion Carried (6 - 0)

<u>9e.</u> Motion – To approve the Scope of Engineering and Design Services for the Birchfield and Patrick Henry Utility and Road Improvements.

Mr. Deman shared design scope of services for the Birchfield and Patrick Henry Utility and Road projects. He stated that the preliminary design will begin soon with construction to begin in early Spring of 2025. The sewer lines along Birchfield Road will need to be upsized due to capacity issues.

Moved by Ferguson, Seconded by Fletcher.

RESOLVED: To approve OHM Advisors Scope of Design Services for the Birchfield and Patrick Henry Project in the amount of \$210K, and to approve G2 Consulting's Estimate of \$20K. Also to approve the budget amendments as stated in the memo.

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 24.10.164

Motion Carried (6 - 0)

10. COMMENTS AND MOTIONS FROM COUNCIL

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Mr. Knight sought clarification on the development taking place on Five Points Drive. Mr. Tanghe stated that it is moving slowly.

Ms. Verbeke thanked the Chamber of Commerce for the Taste of Auburn Hills event. She discussed the possibility of adding an Emergency Management Workshop so that City Council can be educated on what to do in case of an emergency.

Dr. Fletcher commented that a resident shared their delight with the downtown area.

Mr. Ferguson shared that a ribbon cutting took place at O Grizzy's Bar & Bistro and looks forward to visiting there again.

Mr. Hawkins stated that we are a fortunate community with all our restaurants within our city. He also commented on the South Blvd water main project, and it is going well.

Mayor Marzolf invited residents to the Spooktacular event taking place in the downtown area.

11. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

12. CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Tanghe congratulated Moceri Companies for completing their final phase of the Parkways Development. He shared that there was a ribbon cutting of the new GM facility, more details will be shared in the Inside Auburn Hills blog. The DDA and Chamber of Commerce will be co-hosting a lunch and learn in the Fountain Circle Clubhouse on November 19th and will review all that is taking place in the downtown area. He shared his condolences to Mayor Brian Barnett of Rochester Hills and his brother Orion Township Supervisor Chris Barnett on the loss of their mother.

13. CITY CLERK'S REPORT

Ms. Pierce presented the various voting options residents have for the General Election taking place on November 5, 2024.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Brain W. Marzolf, Mayor	Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk

ATTACHMENT A

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, Section 4.23 of the Auburn Hills Charter states that "The City Council shall select annually one or more depositories in which funds of the City shall be deposited" and

WHEREAS, Section 7.0 of the City of Auburn Hills Investment Policy states that "The City Treasurer/Finance Director shall maintain a listing of financial institutions and brokers/ dealers authorized to provide investment services," approved annually by City Council for investment and depository purposes, and

WHEREAS, the currently approved list of legal depositories has expired,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Auburn Hills City Council approve the following financial institutions as legal depositories for all public monies effective to December 31st, 2025.

JP Morgan Chase Bank NA	CIBC Bank USA	Cornerstone Community Financial CU
Credit Union ONE Mercantile Bank CU	Fifth Third Bank, N.A. Oxford Bank	Genisys CU Michigan Schools and Government
PNC Bank, National Association	Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.	
Below a score of 40 but above 30:		
Bank of America, N.A.	Comerica Bank	First Merchants Bank
PARDA Federal Credit Union	Huntington National Bank	

ATTACHMENT B

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, Section 7.0 of the City of Auburn Hills Investment Policy states that "The City Treasurer/Finance Director shall maintain a listing of financial institutions and broker/dealers authorized to provide investment services," approved annually by City Council for investment and depository purposes,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Auburn Hills City Council approve the attached brokers/dealers as legal pass-through agents for all public monies effective to December 31, 2025.



Insight Investment Broker Dealer List Prepared for City of Auburn Hills October 10, 2024

Primary dealers or affiliated firms

Barclays Capital
BMO Capital Markets
BNP Paribas Securities
BofA Securities
Cantor Fitzgerald & Co.
Citigroup Global Markets
Daiwa Capital Markets America
Deutsche Bank Securities
Goldman Sachs & Co.
HSBC Securities (USA)
Jefferies

JP Morgan Securities
Mizuho Securities USA
Morgan Stanley & Co.
NatWest Markets Securities
Nomura Securities International
RBC Capital Markets
Santander US Capital Markets
SG Americas Securities
TD Securities (USA)

Non-primary dealer firms

ANZ Securities

Credit Agricole Securities (USA)

FHN Financial Securities

Insperex

Keybanc Capital Markets MUFG Securities Americas

Oppenheimer & Co.

Raymond James & Associates Robert W. Baird & Co. Samuel A. Ramirez & Co. Scotia Capital (USA)

SMBC Nikko Securities America

Stifel Nicolaus & Co. StoneX Financial Truist Securities US Bancorp Investments

The approved list of broker/dealers includes affiliates of designated firms and is subject to change without notice.

UBS Securities
Wells Fargo Securities

ATTACHMENT C

CITY OF AUBURN HILLS RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL EXEMPTION OPTION AS SET FORTH IN 2011 PUBLIC ACT 152, THE PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION ACT

WHEREAS, Public Act 152 of 2011 was passed by the State Legislature and signed by the Governor on September 24, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Act contains three options for complying with the requirements of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the three options for consideration are as follows:

- 1) Apply the hard cap (capped dollar amount a local government employer may pay toward an employee's healthcare costs),
- 2) Adopt by majority vote the 80/20% cost-sharing model,
- 3) Adopt by a two-thirds vote to opt out of the cost-sharing model as set forth in Public Act 152 of 2011 and revisit it prior to the next plan year; and

WHEREAS, the City of Auburn Hills has elected the Exemption provision of the Act for the 2025 calendar year as its choice for compliance with the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Auburn Hills City Council elects to comply with the requirements of the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act by adopting the annual Exemption option for the medical plan coverage year for the period January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

AYES: 5 (Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Marzolf, Verbeke)

NAYS: None

ABSENT: 1 (McDaniel)
ABSTENTIONS: 1 (Knight)

Resolution No. 24.10.158 Enacted October 21, 2024

STATE OF MICHIGAN) COUNTY OF OAKLAND)

I, the undersigned and 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 21st day of October, 2024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature on this 23rd day of October, 2024.

Laura Pierce, City Clerk

ATTACHMENT D

CITY OF AUBURN HILLS RESOLUTION TO REDUCE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION COST SHARE FOR MEDICAL AND PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN COVERAGE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025

WHEREAS, the City of Auburn Hills has elected the Exemption Provision of Public Act 152 of 2011, titled, "The Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act", for the 2025 calendar year as its choice for compliance with the Act; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Auburn Hills has received a Memorandum of Understanding signed by authorized representatives of city employees represented by Chapter D of AFSCME Local 2720, Police Officers Labor Council representing Patrol, Detectives, and Command Officers, Firefighters represented by IAFF Local 4404, and Non-Union employees; all agreeing to their cost sharing for city provided medical and prescription drug coverage to be 5% during calendar year 2025, as more fully stated therein.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Auburn Hills City Council hereby authorizes the City to pay 95% cost sharing of the cost of its covered employees' medical and prescription drug coverage in calendar year 2025 with the employees' cost sharing to be 5% for those employees in Chapter D of AFSCME Local 2720, Police Officers Labor Council representing Patrol, Detectives and Command Officers, Firefighters represented by IAFF Local 4404, and Non-Union Employees; to the extent required by said action.

AYES: 5 (Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Marzolf, Verbeke)

NAYS: None

ABSENT: 1 (McDaniel)
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