



AUBURN HILLS MEETING SCHEDULE

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JUNE, 2023

DAY	TITLE	TIME	LOCATION
5	City Council Meeting	7:00 PM	Council Chamber 1827 N. Squirrel Road
7	Planning Commission	7:00 PM	Council Chamber 1827 N. Squirrel Road
8	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 PM	CANCELED
12	Library Board	7:00 PM	Auburn Hills Public Library 3400 Seyburn Drive
13	Tax Increment Finance Authority	4:00 PM	Administrative Conference Room 1827 N. Squirrel Road
14	Pension Board/Retiree HealthCare Board	3:00 PM	Administrative Conference Room 1827 N. Squirrel Road
19	City Council Meeting	7:00 PM	Council Chamber 1827 N. Squirrel Road
20	Brownfield Redevelopment Authority	6:00 PM	Administrative Conference Room 1827 N. Squirrel Road

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17	Downtown Development Authority	5:30 PM	MOVED TO THE 31st
18	Brownfield Redevelopment Authority	6:00 PM	Administrative Conference Room 1827 N. Squirrel Road
18	Board of Review	11:00 AM	Administrative Conference Room 1827 N. Squirrel Road
24	City Council Meeting	7:00 PM	Council Chamber 1827 N. Squirrel Road
31	Downtown Development Authority	5:30 PM	Administrative Conference Room 1827 N. Squirrel Road

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CITY OF AUBURN HILLS
MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023
Regular City Council Meeting ♦ 7:00 PM

Council Chamber, 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills MI
248-370-9402 ♦ www.auburnhills.org

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4a. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes, May 15, 2023.

5. APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

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, May 8, 2023

7a2. DDA & TIFA Joint Meeting, May 8, 2023

7a3. Tax Increment Finance Authority, May 9, 2023

7b. Motion – To approve the 2024-2026 Oakland County Community Development Block Grant Program Cooperative Agreement.

7c. Motion – To approve the update to the firearms range.

7d. Motion – To approve the purchase of office furniture/workstations for Police Department.

7e. Motion – To approve the 2023 Used Car Dealer Licenses.

7f. Motion – To reallocate seasonal staff funding from Local Roads to Fleet.

7g. Motion – To approve easements for the Road Commission of Oakland County.

7h. Motion – To approve the Cost Participation Agreement associated with the Harmon Road Improvements.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

9a. Motion – To approve the DPW Back Lot Bid Award.

10. COMMENTS AND MOTIONS FROM COUNCIL

11. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

12. CITY MANAGER REPORT

13. ADJOURNMENT



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 5, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO 4A

CITY COUNCIL



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

DRAFT

MAY 15, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor McDaniel at 7:00 PM.

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

Present: Mayor McDaniel, Council Members Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, and Verbeke

Absent: None

Also Present: Assistant City Manager Skopek, City Attorney Beckerleg, Deputy Clerk Klassen, Police Chief Gagnon, Fire Chief Massingill, Community Development Director Cohen, DPW Director Baldante, Finance Director Schulz, Management Assistant Hagge

11 Guests

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4a. City Council Workshop Minutes, May 1, 2023.

Moved by Knight, Seconded by Verbeke

RESOLVED: To approve the City Council Workshop Minutes of May 1, 2023.

VOTE: Yes: Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 23.05.054

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

4b. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes, May 1, 2023.

Moved by Hawkins, Seconded by Cionka

RESOLVED: To approve the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of May 1, 2023.

VOTE: Yes: Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 23.05.055

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

5. APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

7a. Board and Commission Minutes

7a1. Tax Increment Finance Authority, April 11, 2023

7a2. Planning Commission, May 3, 2023

RESOLVED: To receive and file the Board and Commission Minutes.

7b. Motion – To approve the Prepayment Resolution of the Oakland-Macomb Interceptor Drain 2023 Issue Assessment.

RESOLVED: To approve the Prepayment to the OMIDD Drainage Board in the full amount of \$762,524, and amend GL 592-535-991-000 for \$12,524 to cover the expense. (Attachment A)

7c. Motion – To amend the General Fund General Administration Department Budget.

RESOLVED: To amend the General Administration Department in the General Funds with an increase in appropriations of \$604,395.

7d. Motion – To reallocate and obligate funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to the Parking Deck Project.

RESOLVED: To obligate \$2,5000,000.00 of ARPA funds to the parking deck extension project and \$10,337.00 to audit compliance.

7e. Motion - To adopt the Resolution Honoring the Jewish Community.

RESOLVED: To adopt the Resolution Honoring the Jewish Community. (Attachment B)

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Marzolf

RESOLVED: To approve the Consent Agenda.

VOTE: Yes: Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 23.05.056

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

9a. Motion – To postpone the combined PUD Step One – Concept Plan and PUD Step Two – Site Plan and Tree Removal Permit / GM Electric Vehicle Parts Assembly, Distribution, and Office Facility.

Mayor McDaniel explained that on Friday, May 12, this item was pulled by the Schostak Company for revisions.

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Knight

RESOLVED: To postpone the combined PUD Step One – Concept Plan and PUD Step Two – Site Plan and Tree Removal Permit for the GM Electric Vehicle Parts Assembly, Distribution, and Office Facility subject to the conditions of the City’s Administrative Review Team.

VOTE: Yes: Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 23.05.057

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

9b. Public Hearing / Motion – Revocation of the combined PUD Step One – Qualification / Step Two – Site Plan for Elite Detection K9.

Mr. Cohen presented the revocation to the PUD for Elite Detection K9.

Mayor McDaniel opened the Public Hearing at 7:06 PM.

Hearing no public comment, Mayor McDaniel closed the Public Hearing at 7:06 PM.

Ms. Dani Landolt, Chief Marketing Officer for Leader Dogs for the Blind, was present. She thanked City Council for the concern they shared regarding this program. She spoke to the continued impact the pandemic has had on this organization with regards to training the dogs as well as building supply costs. Because of these issues, they are seeking the revocation.

Moved by Carrier, Seconded by Hawkins

RESOLVED: To revoke the combined PUD Step One – Qualification / Step Two – Site Plan approval for Elite Detection K9 previously granted by the City Council on June 24, 2019.

VOTE: Yes: Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 23.05.058

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

9c. Motion – To extend combined PUD Step One – Qualification / Step Two – Site Plan Approval / Primary Place.

Mr. Cohen presented the extension for Primary Place. He explained that due to delays in utility connections they have been unable to complete the first building as instructed by City Council.

Mr. Tom Ryan, Attorney for Mr. Steuer was present. He explained that much progress has been completed, unfortunately due to ice storms and the winter conditions, DTE and Consumers Energy are back logged and therefore new installs have been put at the bottom of their lists.

Mayor McDaniel shared that he appreciates that the site has been kept clean and safe. He hopes they continue to keep the site clean.

Concerns were shared with regards to the east end of the property being unsightly and unkempt. It was clarified that the proposed picnic shelter is still on the plans and that the completion dates are a collaborative effort between the City Staff and Mr. Steuer.

Moved by Knight, Seconded by Cionka

RESOLVED: To extend the Planned Unit Development approval for Primary Place subject to the following conditions:

1. Steuer & Associates, Inc. (applicant) shall complete construction on the first building with a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy Permit (TCO) issued by the Building Official by August 1, 2023. The applicant is advised that a condition of the TCO shall include all necessary site work

and paving required to provide access to the building, along with landscaping adjacent to the first building, per the approved site plan.

2. The applicant shall complete all site improvements and landscaping per the approved site plan by November 1, 2023.
3. The applicant shall complete the entire project, and all buildings shall have obtained final Certificate of Occupancy Permits issued by the Building Official by March 1, 2024.

VOTE: Yes: Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke

No: None

Resolution No. 23.05.059

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

10. COMMENTS AND MOTIONS FROM COUNCIL

Ms. Verbeke – She had the opportunity to represent City Council at the 40 year celebration of Havenwyck Hospital. She confirmed the parade route for the Memorial Day Parade. Chief Gagnon shared that it is the same as in the past.

Mr. Marzolf – He is looking forward to the Memorial Day parade and the picnic at the American Legion Hall.

Mr. Knight – He shared that it is nice to see activity starting at the park for the summer.

Mayor McDaniel – He thanked the DPW for repairing the planters in the Downtown Area that had been damaged, it makes the area look inviting. He shared that he will not be in attendance of the Memorial Day parade due to a family event.

11. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

12. CITY MANAGER REPORT

13. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no objections, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:21 PM.

Kevin R. McDaniel, Mayor

Kristine M. Klassen, Deputy Clerk

ATTACHMENT A

PREPAYMENT RESOLUTION

CITY OF AUBURN HILLS
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION

Minutes of a regular meeting of the *City Council* of the *City of Auburn Hills*, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, held in said City on the 15th day May 2023, at 7 p.m., Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

PRESENT: Mayor McDaniel, Council Members Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, and Verbeke

ABSENT: None

WHEREAS, pursuant to the petitions received by the Charter Township of Waterford, Oakland County, and the City of Sterling Heights, Macomb County (collectively, the “Petitions”) requesting the Maintenance, Extension and Improvement of the Oakland-Macomb Interceptor Drain (the “Drain”) pursuant to Section 535 of Michigan Public Act 40 of the Public Acts of 1956 (“Drain Code” or Act 40), as amended, MCL §280.535 and filed with the Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture, proceedings have been carried out by the Augmented Drainage Board and Drainage Board for the Oakland-Macomb Interceptor Drain Drainage District (the “Drainage District”) to acquire, finance, construct, improve, and replace certain wastewater facilities (the “Project”) as set forth in Attachment A, and said Project having been determined to be necessary for the public health; and,

WHEREAS, on August 21, 2019, the Drainage Board for the Drainage District confirmed and adopted a Final Order of Apportionment and cost of the Project has been apportioned against the following public corporations in the counties of Oakland and Macomb as follows: (in Oakland County) City of Auburn Hills (4.9705%), Independence Township (includes City of Clarkston) (2.4213%), City of Lake Angelus (0.0185%), City of Rochester (1.9526%), City of Rochester Hills (8.1106%), Oakland Township (1.0393%), Orion Township (3.1494%), Oxford Township (1.2468%), Village of Lake Orion (0.3409%), Village of Oxford (0.5928%), Waterford Township (7.6159%), West Bloomfield Township (1.6414%); (in Macomb County) Chesterfield Township (4.7983%), City of Fraser (2.7237%), City of Sterling Heights (20.8080%), City of Utica (1.1036%), Clinton Township (14.1538%), Harrison Township (4.1556%), Lenox Township (0.6353%), Macomb Township (9.4344%), Shelby Township (6.6490%), Village of New Haven (0.5475%), and Washington Township (1.8907%) (the “Public Corporations”); and,

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2023, the Drainage Board approved and adopted Special Assessment No. 1 Relating to Drain Bonds, Series 2020B (2023 Issue) with respect to the costs of the second segment of the Project not to exceed \$15,600,000, for the improvements to the Northeast Sewage Pumping Station and North Interceptor East-Arm in accordance with the Final Order of Apportionment; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authorization provided in Section 528 of Chapter 21 of the Drain Code (MCL §280.528), the Drainage Board of the Drainage District expects to provide for the issuance of one or more series of bonds to finance the costs of the Project, and the costs of issuance of such bonds, in anticipation of the collection of assessments to be made pursuant to the Drain Code, and to pledge the full faith and credit of the Drainage District for the prompt payment of the principal thereof and the interest thereon; and

WHEREAS, such bonds will be payable from the collection of special assessments against the Public Corporations, said special assessments to be duly confirmed as provided in the Drain Code; and

WHEREAS, prior to the issuance of said bonds for the first segment, the Drainage Board has notified the *City*, to permit, should the *City* determine expedient, to prepay the assessment and avoid interest and finance charges associated with the anticipated Series 2020B (2023 Issue) Bond issue for this Project segment; and,

WHEREAS, the Drainage Board has requested that the *City* adopt a resolution and affirming its intention to prepay its Series 2020B (2023 Issue) drain special assessment for this Project segment, and forward same by May 26, 2023, and make full payment of the assessment by June 27, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the *City* hereby confirms that it will pay in full, its drain assessment in the amount of \$762,524, pursuant to the Special Assessment No. 1 Relating to Drain Bonds, Series 2020B (2023 Issue).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Treasurer is directed to notify the Drainage Board for the Oakland-Macomb Interceptor Drain Drainage District by May 26, 2023 and of its intention to submit payment to the no later than June 27, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

AYES: Mayor McDaniel, Council Members Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, and Verbeke

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

State of Michigan)
County of)

I hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Auburn Hills, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on May 15, 2023, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Michigan Public Act 267 of the Public Acts of 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto fixed my official signature on this 16th day of May, 2023.

Kristine Klassen, Deputy Clerk

ATTACHMENT B

RESOLUTION HONORING THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

At a regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Auburn Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, held on May 15, 2023 at City Hall, 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills, MI 48326, the following preamble, and resolution were offered by Council Member Verbeke, and supported by Council Member Marzolf.

WHEREAS, May is recognized as Jewish American Heritage Month; and,

WHEREAS, the Jewish Community is a valued part of the City of Auburn Hills; and,

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that the Jewish Community has and continues to suffer discrimination on a global scale; and,

WHEREAS, discrimination based on antisemitism negatively affects the safety, health, and well-being of individuals, families, and communities; and,

WHEREAS, respect for the inherent dignity of all individuals is fundamental to the promotion of behavioral health and community well-being.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, that the City of Auburn Hills honors the valuable contributions of the Jewish Community to the City of Auburn Hills and acknowledges the importance of tolerance, kindness, and community support in combating discrimination in all its forms.

AYES: Mayor McDaniel, Council Members Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, and Verbeke
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF OAKLAND)

I, Kristine Klassen, the duly appointed Deputy 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 15th day of May, 2023.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature on this 16th day of May, 2023.

Kristine Klassen, Deputy Clerk



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 5, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO 7A1

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

"Not Yet Approved"

CITY OF AUBURN HILLS DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING

May 8, 2023

LOCATION: Hawk Woods Nature Lodge
3799 Bald Mountain Road

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Young called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Young, Jernigan, McDaniel, Gliniecki, Casey
Absent: Wise, Wayne, Bachan
Also Present: Stephanie Carroll, Economic Development Manager; Eveonne Roberts, Downtown Engagement Specialist; Brandon Skopek, Assistant City Manager; Andrew Hagge, Management Assistant
Guests: None

PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Funding authorization for downtown parking study

Ms. Carroll reviewed the memo dated April 24, 2023, regarding the request for funding a parking study to be done within the Downtown boundaries.

Mr. Gliniecki asked if there is a set start and end date for the study and if it will include private land.

Mr. Skopek explained that yes, the study will start the week of May 15th and that it is set to end after 14 weeks. He also stated that both public and private property will be included.

Moved by Ms. Jernigan to authorize funding for a downtown parking study. Furthermore, approve a budget amendment to the FY 2023 DDA budget increasing appropriations by \$10,200 in support of this study.

Seconded by Ms. Casey

Yes: Young, Jernigan, McDaniel, Gliniecki, Casey

No: None

Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor McDaniel to adjourn the DDA Board meeting.

Motion carried

The DDA Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Eveonne Roberts
Downtown Engagement Specialist



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 5, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO 7A2

DDA & TIFA

“Not Yet Approved”

CITY OF AUBURN HILLS JOINT MEETING OF THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND THE TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

May 8, 2023

LOCATION: Hawk Woods Nature Lodge
3799 Bald Mountain Road

DDA: Chairperson Young, Vice Chairperson Jernigan, Mayor McDaniel, Gliniecki, Casey

TIFA: Chairman Kneffel, Goodhall, Carrier, Waltenspiel, Moniz, Gudmundsen

STAFF: Brandon Skopek, Assistant City Manager; Stephanie Carroll, Economic Development Manager;
Andrew Hagge, Management Assistant; Eveonne Roberts, Downtown Engagement Specialist

GUESTS: None

1. Call to Order

Mr. Young called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

2. Persons Wishing to be Heard

None.

3. Welcome and introduction by Brandon Skopek, Assistant City Manager, TIFA Executive Director

Mr. Skopek thanked everyone for attending the joint meeting this evening to collaborate and brainstorm on goals and objectives of downtown Auburn Hills. He stated that staff will be presenting current projects from each Board.

4. Downtown Development Authority Current Projects/Initiatives – Stephanie Carroll, Economic Development Manager, DDA Executive Director

Ms. Carroll provided the following updates on past and current DDA projects within Downtown.

- With the new Downtown logo created through the banding campaign, the process of integrating this logo into the Downtown has commenced. The first project will consist of wayfinding signage. An RFP has been created and sent out seeking proposals for this project to be designed by year end and executed in 2024.
- Staff is currently working with Detroit Design Center to find placement for a new art piece in accordance with the DDA Board's Art Initiative.
- The Board approved funding for flashing crosswalk lights to be installed at busy crosswalks that are not at intersections with traffic lights within the DDA bounds
- The Board approved funding for the resurfacing of the Clinton River Trail.

5. Tax Increment Finance Authority Current Projects/Initiatives – Brandon Skopek, Assistant City Manager, TIFA Executive Director

Mr. Skopek reviewed the boundaries of the DDA and TIF-A districts. He then listed the projects for each TIF district completed in 2022 and 2023.

TIF-A

- 2022
 - o Provided Sponsorship for the Riverside Park Gazebo, Clinton River bank stabilization, and the renovation of the Skate Park
 - o Sold Downtown property for the Webster development
 - o Approved funding for the Clinton River Trail resurfacing, to replace decorative streetlights, and for the parking structure addition design
- 2023
 - o Sponsoring a new play structure at Riverwoods Park
 - o Funding the purchase of new vehicle mitigation barriers and flashing crosswalk lights within TIF-A bounds
 - o Providing additional funding for the downtown parking study

TIF-B

- 2022
 - o Provided funding for a new Code Enforcement Officer within the TIF-B bounds, automatic license plate readers,
 - o Sponsored the installation of both decorative street lighting and flashing crosswalk lights within the TIF-B bounds
 - o Provided funding for the Safe City Initiative that is spearheaded by the Auburn Hills Police Department
- 2023
 - o Making strategic property purchases
 - o Funding the Opdyke streetscape updates, and the replacement of overhead lighting

TIF-D

- 2022
 - o Funded the Seyburn Pavilion parking lot and pathways within the Municipal Campus
 - o Provided funding for the existing building renovation to house the new Fire Department Administration Offices
- 2023
 - o Provide funding for the Community Center kitchen renovation along with some building and security upgrades
 - o Funding a new digital sign for the Municipal Campus
 - o Provide funding for the renovation of Fire Station 2

6. 2022 Downtown Event Calendar – Eveonne Roberts, Downtown Engagement Specialist

Ms. Roberts gave a brief review of all the Downtown events currently being planned for 2023.

- Reels by the Riverside (Outdoor Movie Series) – One movie each month from June - September
- Friday Night Concert Series – Weekly throughout July and August
- Feed Your Soul – August 5
- Jazz and Blues Concert Series – Weekly throughout September
- SeptemBEERfest – September 22
- Halloween Movie Night – October 6
- Spooktacular – October 28
- City's 40th Anniversary Gala – November 2
- Tree Lighting Ceremony – December 1

7. Board Member Comments

Board members and staff discussed various tenant and building updates within the Downtown.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eveonne Roberts

Downtown Engagement Specialist



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 5, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO 7A3

TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

**“Not Yet Approved”
CITY OF AUBURN HILLS
TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY MEETING**

May 9, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Kneffel called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

ROLL CALL: Present: Kneffel, Moniz, Goodhall, Carrier, Gudmundsen
Absent: Waltenspiel, Eldredge
Also Present: Brandon Skopek, Assistant City Manager / TIFA Executive Director; Andrew Hagge, Management Assistant; Tim Wissner, Manager of Municipal Properties
Guests: None

LOCATION: Auburn Hills City Hall, Administrative Conference Room, 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills, MI 48326

PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. TIFA Regular Meeting Minutes – April 11, 2023

There was no discussion on the approval of the minutes.

Moved by Mr. Goodhall to approve the TIFA Regular Meeting Minutes from April 11, 2023 as presented.

Seconded by Mr. Carrier

Yes: Kneffel, Moniz, Goodhall, Carrier, Gudmundsen
No: none

Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE & PRESENTATIONS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. FY 2023 Adopted Budget and YTD Summary – April 30, 2023

RESOLVED: To receive and file the financial report for the period ending April 30, 2023.

Moved by Mr. Carrier to approve the Consent Agenda

Seconded by Mr. Moniz

Yes: Kneffel, Moniz, Goodhall, Carrier, Gudmundsen
 No: none

Motion carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Tennis Court Resurfacing

Mr. Skopek presented a memo dated May 3, 2023. He noted that since the April TIFA Board meeting, staff investigated the questions raised by the Board. He confirmed that the tennis courts already have pickle ball courts painted, so that is one item the contractor would not need to address. Staff is unable to provide any assurances that the issues with the tennis court surface would not continue due to the asphalt mix; however, the contractor responsible for the resurfacing has a successful track record in substantially reducing the appearance of rust spots on outdoor courts. The paint and surface coating will come with a one-year warranty.

Mr. Wisser noted that he is confident that the contractor will do a great job in reducing the appearance of rust spots on the tennis court.

Moved by Mr. Moniz to authorize a budget amendment to the 2023 TIF-D budget for the resurfacing of the tennis courts on the City's Municipal Camus.

Seconded by Mr. Gudmundsen

Yes: Kneffel, Moniz, Goodhall, Carrier, Gudmundsen
 No: None

Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

A. Bid Award for Community Center Audio System Upgrades

Ms. Adcock presented a memo dated May 3, 2023. She provided the Board with an overview of the bids received and noted that the original bid requested pricing on visual and audio upgrades. Upon evaluating the Community Center's needs, it was determined that only audio upgrades were needed at this time. National Communications Corporation was the low bid at approximately \$15,000 and have provided great references. Staff recommends approval of the bid from National Communications Corporation.

Moved by Mr. Carrier to approve the bid from National Communications Corporation out of Troy, Michigan, for the Community Center audio system upgrades in an amount not to exceed \$14,947.23.

Seconded by Mr. Goodhall

Yes: Kneffel, Moniz, Goodhall, Carrier, Gudmundsen
 No: None

Motion Carried

B. Sponsorship of the City of Auburn Hills 40th Anniversary Gala

Mr. Skopek presented a memo dated May 3, 2023. He noted that the City of Auburn Hills is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year and will be holding a 40th anniversary gala in November. The gala is being hosted by Webasto Corporation. Because Webasto is located within TIF District B, this provides the Board with a unique opportunity to support this event through sponsorship. Staff recommends approval of a Community Leader sponsorship in the amount of \$10,000.

Moved by Mr. Carrier to approve a Community Leader sponsorship in support of the City of Auburn Hills 40th Anniversary Gala in the amount of \$10,000.

Seconded by Mr. Moniz

Yes: Kneffel, Moniz, Goodhall, Carrier, Gudmundsen
No: None

Motion Carried

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE

Mr. Skopek reminded the Board of the ribbon cutting for the Fire Department Administration Building scheduled for May 23 at 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Skopek updated the Board that Cantina Laredo, a prospective Mexican restaurant in downtown Auburn Hills, has met with staff and inquired about the use of the TIFA-owned liquor license. He is working with the City Attorney on a draft agreement for the prospective restaurant's review. Any use of the liquor license is subject to the approval of the TIFA Board.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Moniz asked about stormwater and invasive species grants for the Opdyke Road corridor.

Mr. Skopek noted that OHM Advisors is working on a stormwater plan for the Opdyke Road corridor that the TIFA Board may be able to participate in.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled TIFA Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Administrative Conference Room, 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills, Michigan 48326.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Moniz to adjourn the TIFA Board meeting.
Seconded by Mr. Goodhall

Yes: Kneffel, Moniz, Goodhall, Carrier, Gudmundsen
No: none

Motion carried

The TIFA Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Steve Goodhall
Secretary of the Board

Brandon Skopek
Assistant City Manager / TIFA Executive Director



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 5, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO 7B

RECREATION AND SENIOR SERVICES

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Thomas A. Tanghe, City Manager; Pauline Beckett, Assistant Director Recreation and Senior Services
Submitted: 5/22/23
Subject: Motion – 2024-2026 Oakland County Community Development Block Grant Program Cooperative Agreement

INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires the County to renew its Cooperation Agreement with participating communities every three years. The city's participation is essential to the County and other cities, townships and villages that combine demographics each year to achieve the highest level of federal funding for local projects. Participation in the program requires a three-year commitment, and by agreeing to remain in the urban county program the city is ineligible to apply for the STATE CDBG program separately.

In the years we have participated, the city has received over \$800,000 in CDBG dollars to assist the needs of our low-income residents through programs such as Minor and Mobile Home Repair, Snow Plowing, Lawn Mowing, Domestic Violence Shelter and Youth Assistance programs for both Avondale and Pontiac school districts.

In addition, by participating in this program, our residents can benefit from a larger home improvement program, housing counseling and emergency housing outreach.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

To continue participation in the Oakland County Urban County Community Development Block Grant Program for years 2024, 2025 and 2026

MOTION

Move to authorize the City Manager to enter into Oakland County's urban county Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) programs for the years 2024, 2025 and 2026 and to remain in Oakland County's urban county Community Development programs, which shall be automatically renewed in successive three-year qualification periods of time until such time that it is in the best interest of the City to terminate the agreement.

I CONCUR:

THOMAS A. TANGHE, CITY MANAGER



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

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At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Auburn Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, held in City Council Chambers at 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills, MI 48326 at 7:00 p.m., on the ____ day of ____, 2023.

The following resolution was offered by Council Member ____ and supported by Council Member ____:

WHEREAS,

We resolve to opt into Oakland County's Urban County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) programs for the program years 2024, 2025, and 2026. Furthermore, we resolve to remain in Oakland County's Urban County Community Development programs, which shall be automatically renewed in successive three-year qualification periods of time, or until such time, or until such time that it is in the best interest of the local Community to terminate the Cooperative Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Auburn Hills City Council *(If applicable)*

that the Auburn Hills City Council opt into Oakland County's urban county Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) programs for the years 2024, 2025, 2026. Furthermore, we resolve to remain in Oakland County's urban county Community Development programs.

AYES:

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

RESOLUTION ____

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
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 ____ day of ____ 2023.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature on this ____ day of ____, 2023.

Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk

NEIGHBORHOOD
& HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Shane Bies, Manager
(248) 858-0493 | bies@oakgov.com

May 5, 2023

Kevin R. McDaniel, Mayor
City of Auburn Hills
1827 N. Squirrel Rd.
Auburn Hills, MI 48326-2753

RE: 2024-2026 Cooperation Agreement

Dear Mayor McDaniel:

We invite the City of Auburn Hills to continue to participate in the Oakland County urban county Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for program years 2024-2026. The City has participated during the past three years. During this period, approximately \$246,919.00 has funded programs to address the needs of low-income residents.

The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires the County to renew its Cooperation Agreement with participating communities every three years. Your participation is essential to the County and the other cities, townships and villages that combine demographics each year to achieve the highest level of federal funding for local projects. Participation in the urban county requires a three-year commitment and your community must remain in the program for the three-year duration. If your community chooses to remain with the urban county, it is ineligible to apply for grants under the State CDBG program while a part of the urban county. Besides the annual CDBG allocation, participating communities also benefit from the County's federally funded HOME Investment Partnerships and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs. HOME funds are combined with CDBG funds each year to improve local housing stock through our Home Improvement Program. HOME funds are also used to develop affordable rental and owner housing. ESG funds are used to meet the needs of the homeless through emergency shelters, rapid re-housing and homeless prevention activities.

As a current participant, there is a Cooperation Agreement between the City of Auburn Hills and Oakland County on file. This three-year Cooperation Agreement is automatically renewed for each three-year cycle unless an amendment is required by HUD. Your CDBG primary contact was provided a copy of the most current Cooperation Agreement and should have it on file. If you require a copy, please contact us.

In order to continue to participate in the Oakland County urban county program the City must submit the following document to the County by **Monday, June 12, 2023**:

A resolution (see attached) specifically designed to meet HUD requirements. Please ensure that the original resolution is signed, dated and certified by the City Clerk. Alternatively, the original resolution can be signed and dated by the City Clerk and embossed with a seal. Please send us the original resolution and keep a copy for your records.

If you decide to opt out of the urban county program, a letter signed by the chief executive officer is required. The letter should state that the community intends to opt out of the Oakland County urban county program. Due to federal requirements, you must submit this letter to the County **and** to HUD. Please mail HUD's copy of the letter to Keith E. Hernandez, AICP, Director, Office of Community Planning and Development, U.S. Dept of Housing and Urban Development, Patrick V. McNamara Federal Building 477 Michigan Ave., Ste. 1600, Detroit MI 48226 by **Monday, June 12, 2023**. The County's copy of the letter should be mailed to Samantha Ferguson, Grant Compliance Coordinator, by **Monday, June 12, 2023**. If you have questions, please contact Samantha at (248) 858-5312.

Sincerely,

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Shane Bies, Manager

cc: Pauline Beckett, Assistant Director of Recreation and Senior Services



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 5, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO 7C

POLICE DEPARTMENT

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Thomas A. Tanghe, City Manager; Ryan Gagnon, Chief of Police
Submitted: May 26, 2023
Subject: Motion – Approve Update to Firearms Range

INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

The Police Department's firearms range was built in 2001 and utilizes the Meggitt Training System, which consists of eight shooting lanes and a running man target that travels side to side across the range. The shooting lanes and running man target are controlled by a computer system. The mechanical target assemblies that control each lane are the most common piece of equipment that needs to be replaced on a regular basis.

In 2015, to prolong the life span of the firearms range, the department had to start replacing the target assemblies at least every other year to keep the range functional. We no longer have extra parts to make any needed repairs. Meggitt Training System no longer makes the target assembly because the equipment is outdated, and it is no longer cost effective for them to produce the parts. Currently only five of the eight shooting lanes are fully functional and the three lanes not working are unable to be repaired.

Training staff at the Police Department researched and evaluated several different range systems available to law enforcement agencies. Last year, staff toured the Novi Police Department and Macomb Community College to see what range systems are being utilized for law enforcement training.

On February 24, 2023, an invitation to bid was placed on BidNet Direct for the contract to upgrade the Police Department's firearms range. The closing of bid was May 4, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at the City of Auburn Hills City Clerk's Office. Two (2) vendors responded with sealed bids. They are:

Vendor	Target System/Parts	Installation	Shipping	TOTAL*
InVeris Training Solutions	\$103,563.40	\$29,780.58	\$1,739.84	\$135,083.80
Range Systems	\$144,198.44	\$19,479.00	\$2,143.00	\$165,820.00

\$200,000.00 was approved in the 2023 approved budget to update the range.

The QuikTurn 360-Degree Turning Target System was selected because it provides extensive and comprehensive live fire training while emphasizing unpredictable situations. The 360-Degree target system allows for realistic training that exposes staff to threat/non-threat target engagements. The range system allows the instructor to control all eight lanes at the same time or individually, and program multiple different scenarios including deadly force decision making scenarios. The QuikTurn 360-Degree target system operates very similarly to the department's current range system and there are no structure changes needed.

Range Systems submitted a bid for a training system that operates using a steel beam track and is ideally suited for longer distance ranges other than what we currently have. The department's recommendation is to purchase the

QuikTurn 360-Degree Target System from InVeris Training Solutions. On May 23, 2023, the proposal of purchasing QuikTurn 360-Degree Target System from InVeris Training Solutions was presented to the Public Safety Advisory Committee and they recommend approval.

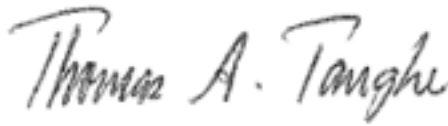
STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Recommend the approval to purchase the QuikTurn 360-Degree Turning Target System from InVeris.

MOTION

Move to approve the purchase of the QuikTurn 360-Degree Turning Target System from InVeris, at a cost not to exceed \$135,083.00 and authorize the City Manager to convey acceptance by purchase order.

I CONCUR:

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THOMAS A. TANGHE, CITY MANAGER



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 5, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO 7D

POLICE DEPARTMENT

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Thomas A. Tanghe, City Manager; Ryan Gagnon, Chief of Police
Submitted: May 26, 2023
Subject: Motion – Approve Purchase of Office Furniture/Workstations for Police Department

INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

The Police Department's Investigations Division and Records Division needs to be updated and re-designed. The current furniture and workspaces in both divisions were originally installed in 2001 when the public safety building was built. The Investigations Division shall be re-designed and updated to accommodate seven cubicles and one open workspace with a large center island work/meeting table. The Records Division shall be designed and updated to accommodate eight open cubicle workspaces.

The Police Department wishes to update the Investigations Division and Records Divisions workspaces by replacing the current office furniture and design with updated work spaces that are configured to the needs of department personnel. Research has been conducted by city staff and Tayco was selected as the manufacturer of the requested updated office furniture. Tayco office furniture is a mid-tier product in the office furniture industry, which provides a durable product at a reasonable cost. City staff has been pleased with the quality of Tayco office furniture as it was recently purchased for use at the Fire Department Administration Building and at the Community Center.

On April 21, 2023, an invitation to bid was placed on BidNet Direct for the contract to upgrade the Police Department's Investigations Division and Records Bureau. A bidder's meeting was also held on May 3, 2023, at 10:00 am. The closing of bid was May 12, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at the City of Auburn Hills City Clerk's office. 58 companies received the Request for Bids (RFB) and 16 companies downloaded the RFB invitation from BidNet Direct. One (1) vendor responded with a sealed bid.

Vendor	Tayco Office Furniture	Installation	Shipping	TOTAL
Sandra Stacey Design LLC	\$61,884.80	\$6,150.00	\$150.00	\$68,184.80

Sandra Stacey Design LLC is not the sole source provider for Tayco, nor is their geographic territory in our area where Sandra Stacey is the only company that can bid on Tayco products. Other companies can also bid to provide Tayco products, yet we only received one bid from Sandra Stacey Design LLC.

\$80,000.00 was approved in 2023 to update the Investigations and Records Divisions of the Police Department.

On May 23, 2023, the proposal of purchasing recommended Tayco office furniture and installation from Sandra Stacey Design LLC was presented to the Public Safety Advisory Committee and they recommended approval.

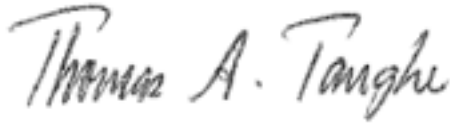
STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Recommend the approval to purchase the recommended Tayco office furniture from Sandra Stacey Design LLC.

MOTION

Move to approve the purchase of recommended Tayco office furniture from Sandra Stacey Design LLC at a cost not to exceed \$68,184.80 and authorize the City Manager to convey acceptance by purchase order.

I CONCUR:

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THOMAS A. TANGHE, CITY MANAGER



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 5, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO 7E

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Thomas A. Tanghe, City Manager; Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk
Submitted: May 31, 2023
Subject: Motion – To approve the 2023 Used Car Dealer Licenses

INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

Section 22, Article IV of the City Code regulates used car lots and requires each establishment to obtain approval from City Council in order to obtain a license from the City. Used car lot is defined as “any lot or parcel of land where used motor vehicles are displayed and offered for sale in the open.”

Four establishments are currently operating in the City. Inspections of the establishments have been completed by Code Enforcement and the Fire Department and are recommended for renewal.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Used Car Lot Licenses be approved for all four establishments.

Blue Compass RV (formerly A & S RV Center)	2375 North Opdyke Road	Renewal
Newcomb's Auto Service	3123 Lapeer Road	Renewal
Oakland Truck and Equipment Sales, Inc	2645 Auburn Road	Renewal
Summit Place Kia	4200 Interpark Dr.	Renewal

MOTION

Move to approve the Used Car Lot Licenses for the 2023 licensing period for Blue Compass RV, Newcomb's Auto Service, Oakland Truck and Equipment Sales, Inc., and Summit Place Kia.

I CONCUR:

THOMAS A. TANGHE, CITY MANAGER



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 5, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO 7F

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Thomas A. Tanghe, City Manager; Jason Hefner, Manager of Fleet & Roads
Submitted: May 25, 2023
Subject: Motion – To Reallocate Seasonal Staff Funding from Local Roads to Fleet

INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

Over the past few years, the number of work orders for Fleet has continued to grow as the size of our City Fleet has grown. This increase in work orders has created additional labor strains on the Fleet department as has our transition into maintaining new Hybrid vehicles. Budgeted in the 2023 Local Roads budget is \$7,800 for a seasonal employee. With this significant increase in fleet department workload as well as the supply chain issues, staff feels that the local roads department seasonal would best be utilized in fleet instead. Since there is not a budget for a fleet seasonal currently, an amendment would be needed to cover the expense.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends reallocating seasonal staff funding from the local roads account (203-453-703.000) in the amount of \$7,800 to the fleet account (661-594-703.000).

MOTION

Move recommends reallocating seasonal staff funding from the local roads account (203-453-703.000) in the amount of \$7,800 to the fleet account (661-594-703.000) for the 2023 Fiscal Year.

I CONCUR:

THOMAS A. TANGHE, CITY MANAGER



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 5, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO 7G

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Thomas A. Tanghe, City Manager; Jason Hefner, Manager of Fleet & Roads
Submitted: May 25, 2023
Subject: Motion – Approve Easements for the Road Commission of Oakland County

INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

Currently being designed for 2024 reconstruction by the Road Commission of Oakland County (RCOC) is the Brown/Giddings/Silverbell corridor from Jamm Road to Lapeer Road (M-24). For the Auburn Hills portion of the project, Brown Road will be widened to 5 lanes from Jamm Road to Giddings Road including 2 travel lanes in each direction and a left turn lane. Because of the widening and resulting change in elevations, two temporary easements are being requested and a small permanent highway easement. The permanent highway easement is for the extension and maintenance of RCOC's 48" storm culvert that currently exists under Brown Road near the DPW's East property line.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the granting of the 2 temporary and 1 permanent highway easements as indicated in the exhibits of this memo for the reconstruction and maintenance of Brown Road.

CITY MANAGER'S NOTE: Staff expect no future implications in terms of use or access to our DPW property resulting from the granting of this easement to the Road Commission.

MOTION

Move to grant the 2 temporary and 1 permanent highway easements as indicated in the exhibits of this memo for the reconstruction and maintenance of Brown Road.

EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 1 – Parcel Aerial Sheet
- Exhibit 2 – Highway Easement (Permanent)
- Exhibit 3 – Temporary Easements
- Exhibit 4 – Easement Evaluation
- Exhibit 5 – Donation of ROW

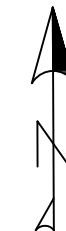
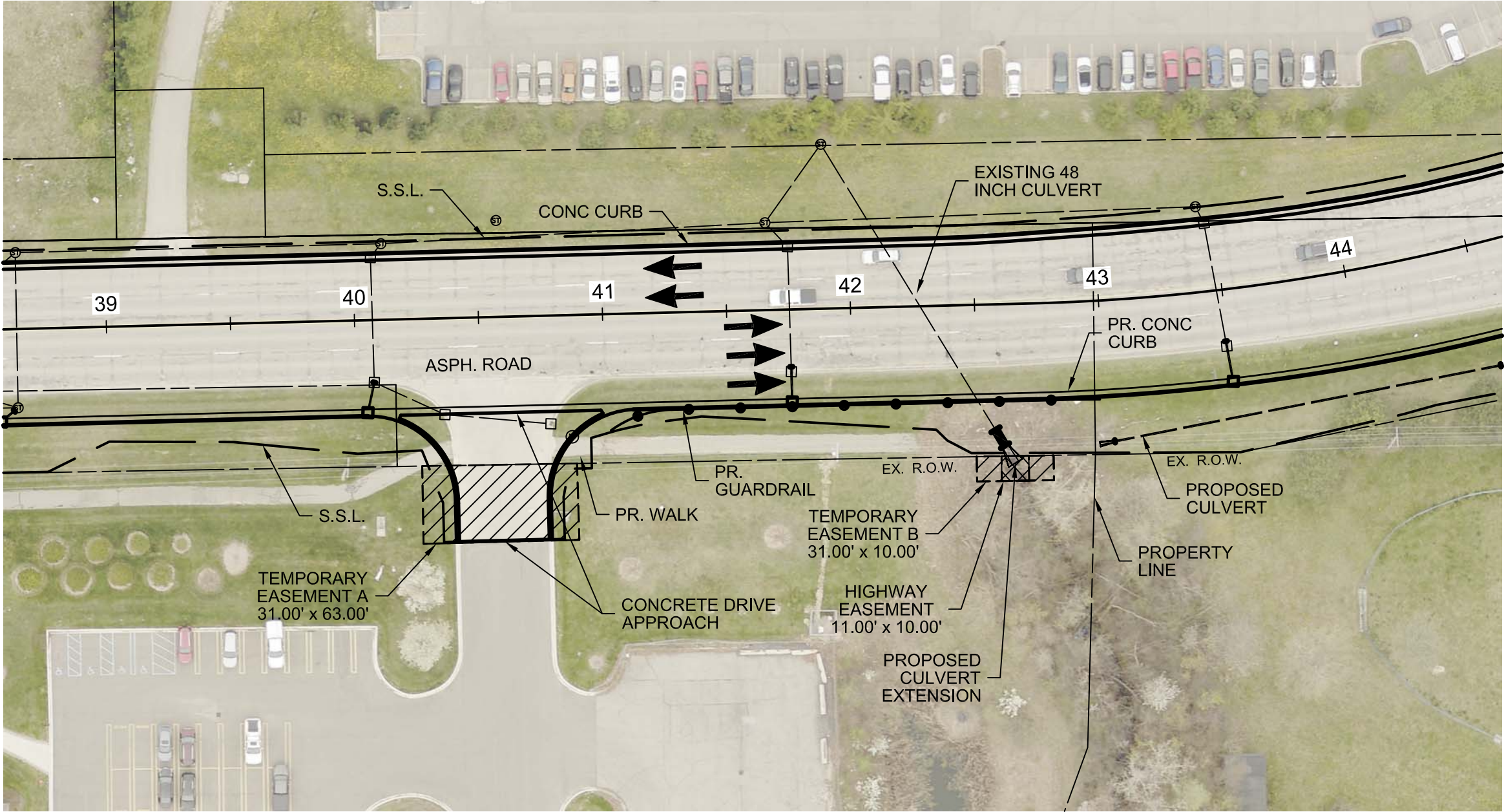
I CONCUR:

THOMAS A. TANGHE, CITY MANAGER

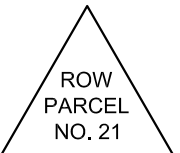
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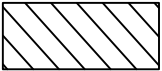
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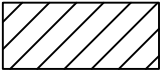
HIGHWAY EASEMENT
TEMPORARY EASEMENT

LAND AREAS	
PARCEL	= 525,331 SFT
HIGHWAY EASEMENT	= 112 SFT
TEMPORARY EASEMENT A	= 1,953 SFT
TEMPORARY EASEMENT B	= 310 SFT

HIGHWAY EASEMENT -



TEMPORARY EASEMENT -



ROAD COMMISSION
for OAKLAND COUNTY
RIGHT OF WAY DIVISION
PHONE: 877-858-4804 WEB: WWW.RCOCWEB.ORG

PROJECT NO.
56261
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PARCEL SKETCH

BROWN ROAD
JAMM ROAD TO M-24

DESIGN PHASE
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HIGHWAY EASEMENT`

KNOW ALL PERSONS that the **City of Auburn Hills, a Michigan Municipal Corporation ("Grantor(s))**, whose address is **1827 North Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills, Mi 48326**, hereby grant(s) to the **BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND ("Board")**, State of Michigan, a public body corporate, located at 31001 Lahser Road, Beverly Hills, Michigan 48025, an easement for all public highway purposes ("Highway Easement") and to construct, operate, maintain, repair, and/or replace roadways, utilities, and other infrastructure improvements in, over, under, upon, and through the following described premises ("Property") situated in the **City of Auburn Hills, County of Oakland, State of Michigan**.

Commonly known as: **1500 Brown Road**
(Part of) Tax Parcel No.: **14-03-100-027**

**SEE PARCEL DRAWING, ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A," AND
LEGAL DESCRIPTION, ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "B,"
BOTH OF WHICH ARE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE HEREIN**

This Highway Easement includes, but is not limited to, the consent of the Grantor to the removal of any trees, shrubs, and/or vegetation, to grading, to the occupancy of the Property by public utilities, and to other matters which, in the sole discretion of the Board, may be necessary in connection with all public highway purposes and the construction, operation, maintenance, repair, and/or replacement of roadways, utilities, and other infrastructure improvements in, over, under, upon, and through the Property. Grantor waives further notice of such actions.

This Highway Easement runs with the land and shall bind the Grantor and the Grantor's heirs, representatives, successors, and assigns. This Highway Easement contains the entire understanding of the Grantor and the Board, and there are no other verbal promises between the Grantor and the Board except as shown herein.

WHEREFORE, upon approval by the Board, the undersigned Grantor hereby creates, confirms, and conveys the Highway Easement described herein for the sum of **\$1.00**.



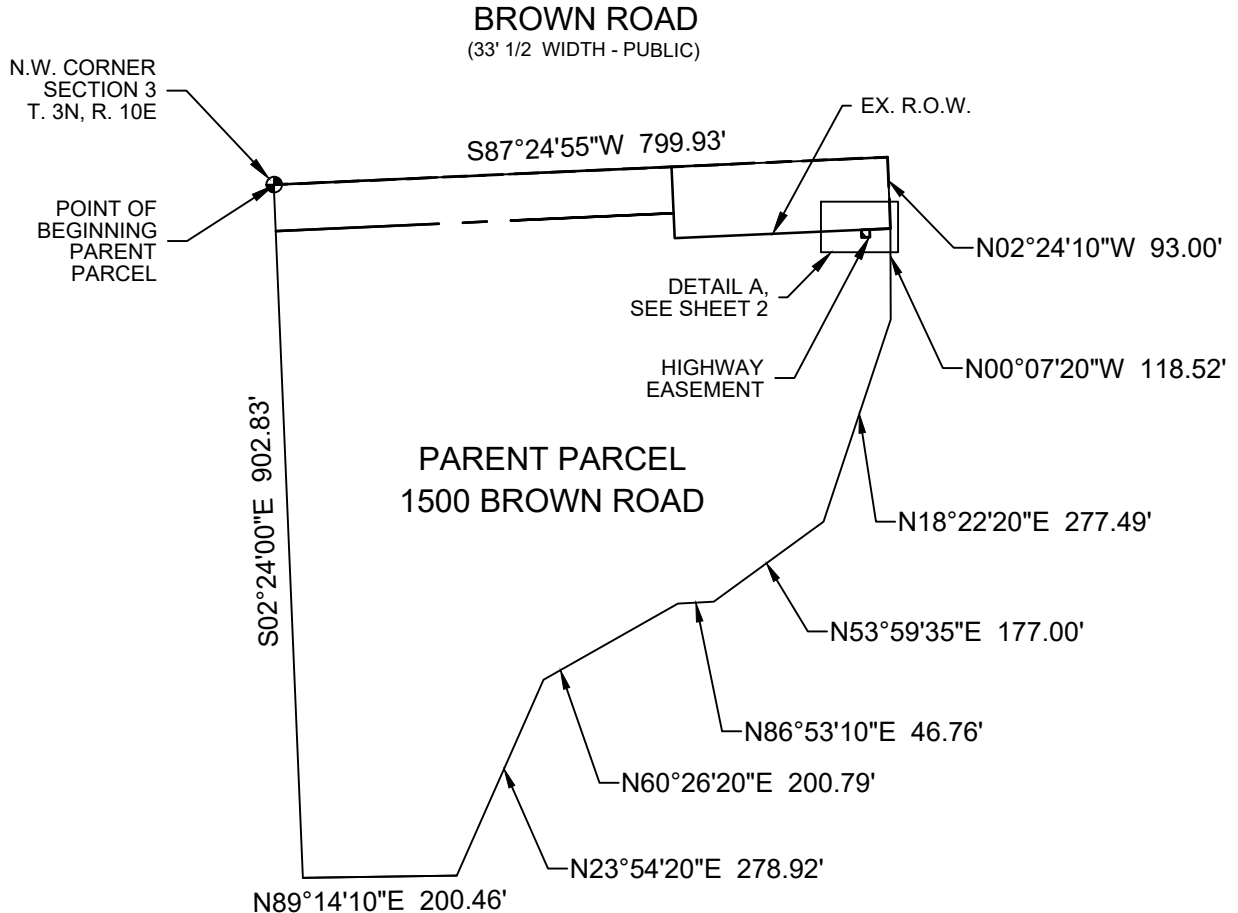
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EXHIBIT A

PARCEL 14-03-100-027
1500 BROWN ROAD



HIGHWAY EASEMENT



LAND AREAS

PARCEL	= 525,331 SFT
PROPOSED HIGHWAY EASEMENT	= 112 SFT

BEARINGS BASED ON OAKLAND COUNTY TAX
IDENTIFICATION, PARCEL NUMBER 14-03-100-027

HIGHWAY EASEMENT -



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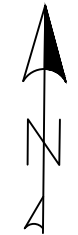
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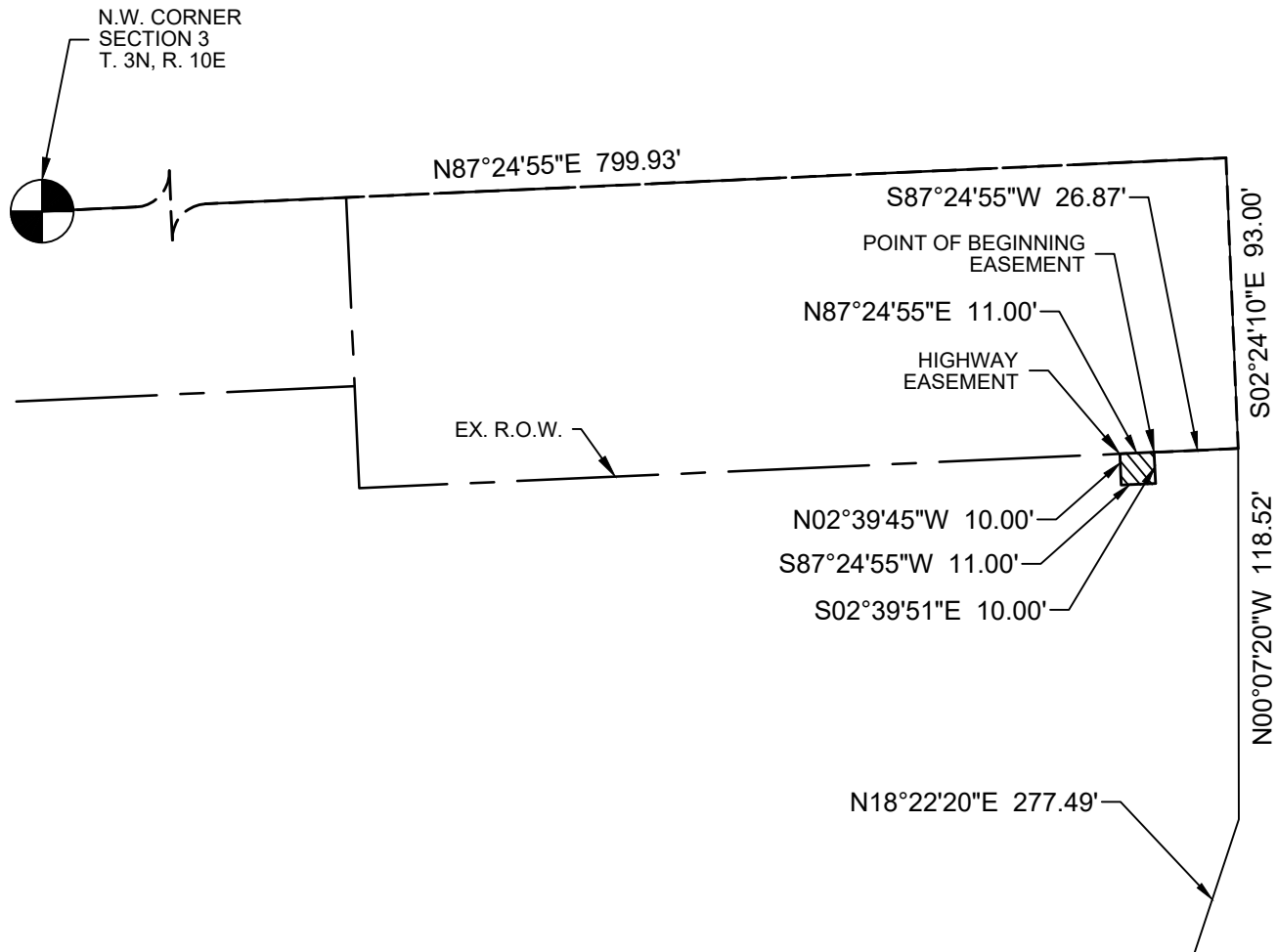
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EXHIBIT A

PARCEL 14-03-100-027
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DETAIL A



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EXHIBIT B

PARCEL 14-03-100-027
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PARENT PARCEL DESCRIPTION:

PART OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 3, TOWN 3 NORTH. RANGE 10 EAST, CITY OF AUBURN HILLS, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS, COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 3; THENCE SOUTH 02°24'00" EAST, 902.83 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°14'10" EAST, 200.46 FEET; THENCE NORTH 23°54'20" EAST, 278.92 FEET; THENCE NORTH 60°26'20" EAST, 200.79 FEET; THENCE NORTH 86°53'10" EAST 46.76 FEET, THENCE NORTH 53°59'35" EAST, 177.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 18°22'20" EAST, 277.49 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°07'20" WEST, 118.52 FEET; THENCE NORTH 02°24'10" WEST, 93.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 87°24'55" WEST, 799.93 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 525,331 SQ FT.

HIGHWAY EASEMENT DESCRIPTION:

PART OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 3, TOWN 3 NORTH. RANGE 10 EAST, CITY OF AUBURN HILLS, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS, COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 3; THENCE NORTH 87°24'55" EAST, 799.93 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 02°24'10" EAST, 93.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 87°24'55" WEST, 26.87 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 02°39'45" EAST, 10.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 87°24'55" WEST, 11.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 02°39'45" WEST 10.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 87°24'55" EAST, 11.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 112 SQ FT.



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TEMPORARY EASEMENT

KNOW ALL PERSONS that the **City of Auburn Hills, a Michigan Municipal Corporation** ("Grantor(s)"), whose address is **1827 North Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills, Mi 48326**, hereby grant(s) to the **BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND** ("Board"), State of Michigan, a public body corporate, located at 31001 Lahser Road, Beverly Hills, Michigan 48025, an easement for a temporary period of time ("Temporary Easement") in the construction of the **Brown-Giddings-Silverbell Roads (Jamm Road to M-24)** ("Project"), being Project Number **56261**, at the following described premises ("Property") situated in the **City of Auburn Hills, County of Oakland, State of Michigan**.

Commonly known as: **1500 Brown Road**
(Part of) Tax Parcel No.: **14-03-100-027**

SEE PARCEL DRAWING, ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A," WHICH IS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE HEREIN

This Temporary Easement is conveyed for the sum of **\$1.00** and shall expire at the completion of the Project. The purpose of this Temporary Easement is to grant to the Board the right to move workers, equipment, and materials on, over, and through the Property and to store equipment, material, and excavated matter on the Property. This Temporary Easement includes, but is not limited to, the consent of the Grantor(s) to the removal of any trees, shrubs, and/or vegetation, to grading, to the temporary occupancy of the Property by public utilities, and to other matters which, in the sole discretion of the Board, may be necessary in connection with the Project. Grantor(s) waive(s) further notice of such actions.

The permission stated in this Temporary Easement shall begin on the date the Project begins and shall end on the date the Project is completed. The work described above shall be constructed as may be applicable in the sole discretion of the Board, in a workmanlike manner and in accordance with applicable state and county standards and the upon completion of the work, the Board shall at its own cost restore that portion of the Property that has been disturbed and/or damaged by the work to its previous condition. Except as provided herein, upon completion of the work described above, the Board and its agents shall have no further or ongoing responsibilities in relation to the work described.

This Temporary Easement runs with the land and shall bind the Grantor(s) and the Grantor(s)'s heirs, representatives, successors, and assigns. This Temporary Easement contains the entire understanding of the Grantor(s) and the Board, and there are no other verbal promises between the Grantor(s) and the Board except as shown herein.

WHEREFORE, upon approval by the Board, the undersigned Grantor(s) hereby create(s), confirm(s), and convey(s) the Temporary Easement described herein.

Grantor(s):

**City of Auburn Hills,
a Michigan Municipal Corporation**

By: _____ Date: _____

Print name

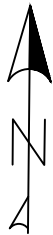
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Drafted by:
Randal R. Hope
31001 Lahser Road
Beverly Hills, MI 48025

Return to: **Randal R. Hope, RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
THE BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND
31001 LAHSER ROAD, BEVERLY HILLS, MI 48025**

Project: **Brown-Giddings-Silverbell Roads (Jamm Road to M-24)**

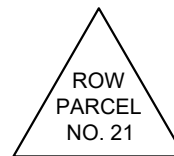
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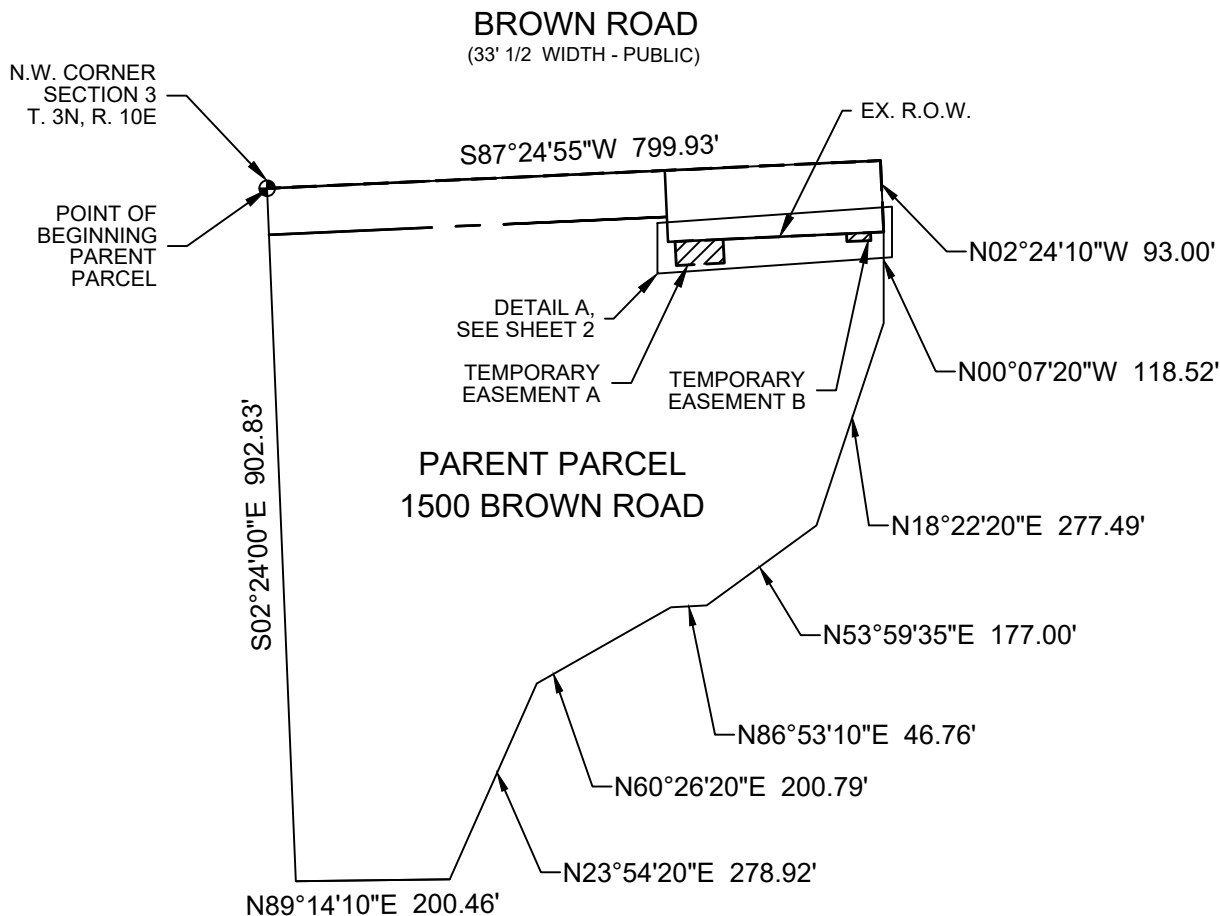
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EXHIBIT A

PARCEL 14-03-100-027
1500 BROWN ROAD



TEMPORARY EASEMENT

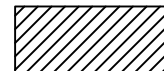


LAND AREAS

PARCEL	= 525,331 SFT
PROPOSED TEMPORARY EASEMENT A	= 1,944 SFT
PROPOSED TEMPORARY EASEMENT B	= 317 SFT

BEARINGS BASED ON OAKLAND COUNTY TAX
IDENTIFICATION, PARCEL NUMBER 14-03-100-027

TEMPORARY EASEMENT -



ROAD COMMISSION
for OAKLAND COUNTY

RIGHT OF WAY DIVISION

PHONE: 877-858-4804 WEB: WWW.RCOCWEB.ORG

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PARCEL 14-03-100-027

SECTION 3, T.3N., R.10E.,
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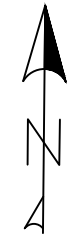
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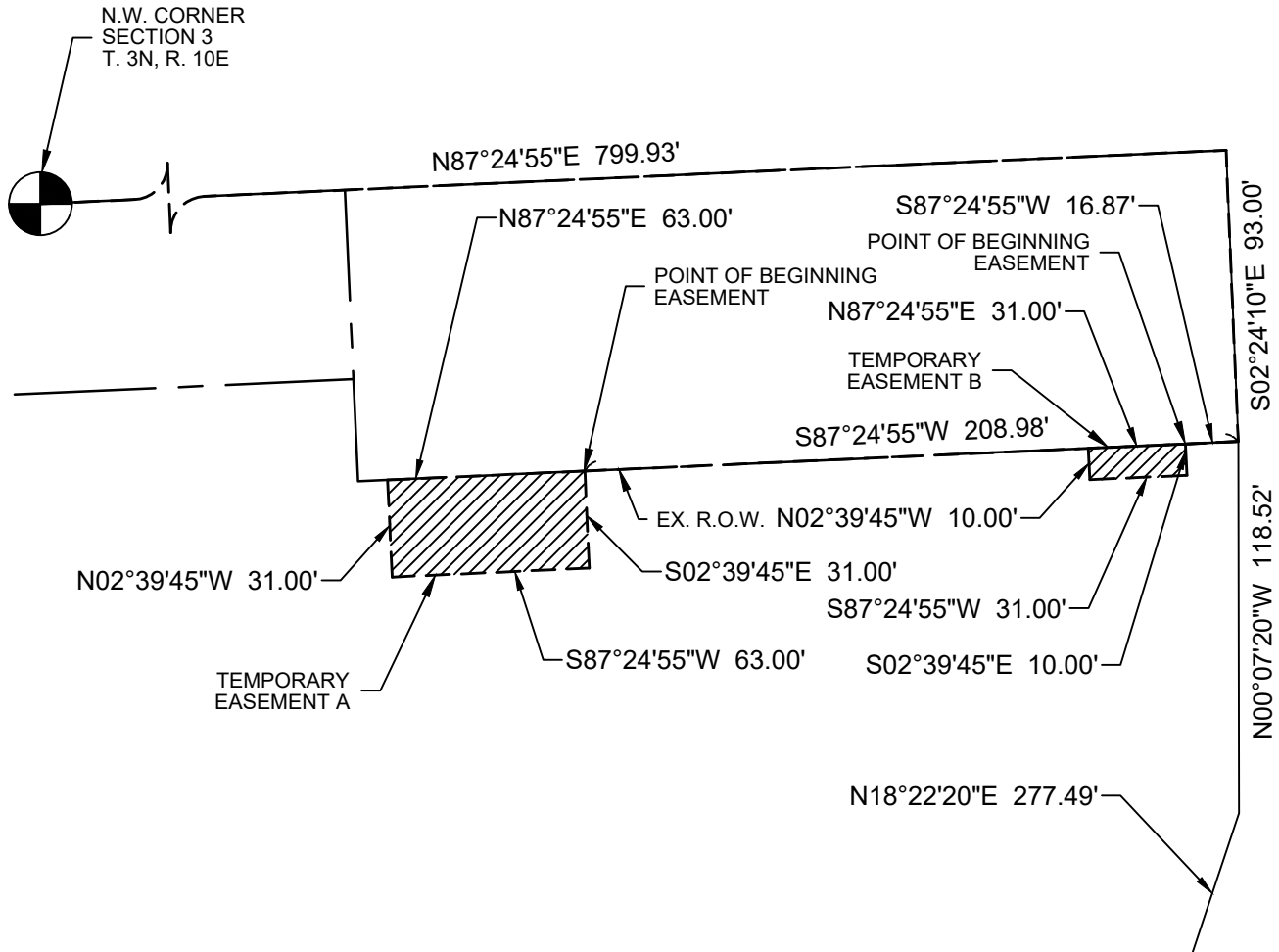
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PARCEL 14-03-100-027
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TEMPORARY EASEMENT

DETAIL A



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RESTRICTED APPRAISAL

COMPLEX APPRAISAL

NON-COMPLEX APPRAISAL X

Project: Brown Rd (Giddings-Silverbell-Jamm-M24)
Project Number 56261 - Parcel 21 - Sidwell 14-03-100-027

Property Ownership

City Of Auburn Hills

Property Location

1500 Brown Rd
Auburn Hills, MI

Improvements

None affected

Zoning

Industrial

Highest and Best Use

Industrial

Total Area (S.F.)

525,331

Total Area (Acre)

12.06

Net Area of Permanent Highway Easement (S.F.)

112

Net Area of Temporary Easement (S.F.)

2,263

Interest Appraised

Fee Simple

Reason for Acquisition or Easement

Road improvement

Method of Appraisal Performed

Value of easements based
on the Sales Comparison
Approach

No damages to the remainder have been observed by the appraiser.

Value Determination

Unit Value Estimate (S.F.)		\$3.56
Net Area of Highway Easement (S.F.)		112
Value of Highway Easement	unit x area	\$399
Net Area of Temporary Easement (S.F.)		2,263
Unit Factor (Rate)	1 year lease	0.10
Estimate of Temporary Easement Value		\$806

ESTIMATE OF JUST COMPENSATION

\$1,205

Certification

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief: the statements of fact contained in this appraisal are true and correct; the analyses, opinions, and conclusions are my personal, impartial, and unbiased professional analyses, opinions, and conclusions; I have no present or prospective interest in the property that is the subject of this appraisal, and no personal interest with respect to the parties involved; I have no bias with respect to the property that is the subject of this report or to the parties involved in this assignment; my engagement in this assignment was not contingent upon developing or reporting predetermined results; I have made a personal inspection of the property and performed no services there within the prior 36 months; no one provided significant professional assistance to the person signing this report.



Carl Bradley, Certified General Appraiser
License No. 1205073392

Date 4/26/2023



Right of Way Division
31001 Lahser Road
Beverly Hills, MI 48025
(248) 645-2000

DONATION
(HIGHWAY EASEMENT AND TEMPORARY EASEMENT)
to LOCAL PUBLIC AGENCY

This information is required by the LPA in order for a property owner to donate property

PROPERTY OWNER(S) City of Auburn Hills, a Michigan Municipal Corporation		
PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1500 Brown Road (Walter G. Smith Public Services Facility)		PROPERTY TAX ID NO. 14-03-100-027
LOCATION City of Auburn Hills	STATE MI	ZIP CODE 48362
MAILING ADDRESS 1827 North Squirrel Road		
CITY/TWP. Auburn Hills	STATE MI	ZIP CODE 48326

Right(s) to be acquired: ☐ Fee (Total Take)
 ☐ Fee (Partial Take)
 ☒ Easement (Highway)
 ☒ Easement (Temporary)

Just compensation determined by: ☒ Market Study and/or Valuation Analysis
 ☐ Appraisal by 3rd Party

Just Compensation: **\$1,205.00**

The undersigned owner(s) of the subject property identified below agrees with the following statements:

- I have been informed and fully understand that I have the right to receive just compensation for the subject property.
- I have been informed and fully understand that I have the right to an appraisal and the right to accompany the appraiser during an inspection of the subject property.
- I have been informed and fully understand that by signing this document, I am agreeing to donate the subject property in lieu of just compensation.
- I agree to donate said property and waive just compensation and release the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) from the obligation to obtain an appraisal of the property.
- The decision to donate the subject property was made without undue influences or coercive action of any nature.
- I will execute the necessary instrument of conveyance upon presentation by agents or representatives of the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC).

Signature page to follow.



Right of Way Division
31001 Lahser Road
Beverly Hills, MI 48025
(248) 645-2000

The undersigned hereby agrees to the terms and provisions herein as of this _____ day of _____, 2023.

***City of Auburn Hills,
a Michigan Municipal Corporation***

By: _____

Print name

Its: _____

Drafted by:

Randal R Hope
31001 Lahser Road
Beverly Hills, MI 48025

Project: **Brown-Giddings-Silverbell Roads (Jamm Road to M-24) Road Improvement**

Project No.: **56261**

Parcel No.: **21**

(Part of) Tax Parcel No.: **14-03-100-027**



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 5, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO 7H

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Thomas A. Tanghe, City Manager; Jason Hefner, Manager of Fleet & Roads
Submitted: May 31, 2023
Subject: Motion – Approve Cost Participation Agreement with County of Oakland Board of Commissioners Granting \$88,352 to the City of Auburn Hills and Associated with Harmon Road Improvements.

INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners has approved the grant application submitted by the City of Auburn Hills for funding under the 2023 Pilot Local Road Improvement Program (Exhibit 1). The City is to receive \$88,352 from the Oakland County Board of Commissioners to offset the costs associated with needed Harmon Road improvements. Note that to be eligible for this grant, the project must encourage or assist businesses to locate and expand in the County. As it relates to this project, this project directly supports business development near the I-75 Corridor.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the cost participation agreement with the Oakland County Board of Commissioners associated with Harmon Road improvements, granting \$88,352 to the City of Auburn Hills.

MOTION

Move to approve the cost participation agreement with the Oakland County Board of Commissioners associated with Harmon Road improvements, granting \$88,352 to the City of Auburn Hills.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1 – Approval Letter
Exhibit 2 – Agreement

I CONCUR:

THOMAS A. TANGHE, CITY MANAGER

May 30, 2023

Greetings,

We are pleased to inform you that the Board of Commissioners has approved your application for funding under the 2023 Local Road Improvement Program. Poor conditions on our roads create an impediment to the economic development of our community and diminish the excellent quality of life our residents expect. Oakland County is proud to be a partner with your local government to provide much needed investment in our local transportation infrastructure.

For execution, you will receive a separate email requesting a digital signature on your Cost Participation Agreement. This email will come from JoAnn Stringfellow at the email address: echosign@echosign.com. If you are not the designated signer, please click the “**DELEGATE**” link in the email and enter the name and email address of the appropriate individual. Following approval by your governing authority as applicable, and execution of the agreement, please electronically sign the agreement. If you require additional signature lines, please email aubrya@oakgov.com. All signers will automatically receive a digital sealed copy of the executed document for your records.

After you receive the digital sealed and executed agreement, you can invoice our office via email, as instructed in the agreement for payment. Upon project completion, a report should be submitted to verify the funds were used in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

If you have any questions regarding the program or agreement, please feel to contact Amy Aubry, Analyst of the Board of Commissioners, at 248-425-7056 or aubrya@oakgov.com.

Sincerely,

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners

LOCAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT MATCHING FUND PROGRAM

COST PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

Replacement of Harmon Road (Joslyn to M-24)

City of Auburn Hills

Board Project No. 2023-01

This Agreement, made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 2023, by and between the Board of Commissioners of the County of Oakland, Michigan, hereinafter referred to as the BOARD, and the City of Auburn Hills, hereinafter referred to as the COMMUNITY, provides as follows:

WHEREAS, the BOARD has established the Local Road Improvement Matching Fund Program, hereinafter the PROGRAM, for the purposes of improving economic development in Oakland County cities and villages. The terms and policies of the PROGRAM are contained in Attachment A. The BOARD intends the PROGRAM to assist its municipalities by offering limited funds, from state statutory revenue sharing funds, for specific, targeted road maintenance and/or improvement projects on roadways under the jurisdiction of cities and villages; and

WHEREAS, the BOARD shall participate in a city or village road project in an amount not exceeding 50% of the cost of the road improvement, hereinafter referred to as the PROJECT, and also not exceeding the Preliminary Distribution Formula as it relates to the COMMUNITY, (Attachment B); and

WHEREAS, the COMMUNITY has identified the PROJECT as the Replacement of Harmon Road (Joslyn to M-24), which improvements involve roads under the jurisdiction of and within the COMMUNITY and are not under the jurisdiction of the Road Commission for Oakland County or state trunk lines; and

WHEREAS, the COMMUNITY has acknowledged and agreed to the BOARD's policies regarding the PROGRAM, Attachment A, and further acknowledge and agree that the PROJECT's purpose is to encourage and assist businesses to locate and expand within Oakland County and shall submit a report to the BOARD identifying the effect of the PROJECT on businesses in the COMMUNITY at the completion of the PROJECT. In addition, the COMMUNITY acknowledges that the program is meant to supplement and not replace funding for existing road programs or projects; and

WHEREAS, the COMMUNITY has acknowledged and agreed that the PROGRAM is expressly established as an annual program and there is no guarantee that the PROGRAM will be continued from year to year. The BOARD anticipates that most PROJECTS funded under the PROGRAM will be completed by the end of calendar year 2023. There is no obligation on behalf of the BOARD to fund either the PROJECT or the PROGRAM in the future; and

WHEREAS the COMMUNITY has acknowledged and agreed that the COMMUNITY shall assume any and all responsibilities and liabilities arising out of the administration of the PROJECT and that Oakland County shares no such responsibilities in administering the PROJECT; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total cost of the PROJECT is \$2,874,500; and

WHEREAS, said PROJECT involves certain designated and approved Local Road Improvement Matching Funds in an amount not to exceed \$88,352, which amount shall be paid to the COMMUNITY by the BOARD; and

WHEREAS, the BOARD and the COMMUNITY have reached a mutual understanding regarding the cost sharing of the PROJECT and wish to commit that understanding to writing in this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein and in conformity with applicable law and BOARD resolution(s), it is hereby agreed between the COMMUNITY and the BOARD that:

1. The BOARD approves of the PROJECT, and in reliance upon the acknowledgements of the COMMUNITY, finds that the PROJECT meets the purpose of the PROGRAM.

2. The BOARD approves of a total funding amount under the PROGRAM for the PROJECT in an amount not to exceed \$88,352. The COMMUNITY shall submit an invoice to the COUNTY in an amount not to exceed \$88,352.

a. The Invoice shall be sent to:

Amy Aubry, Analyst
Board of Commissioners
aubrya@oakgov.com

3. Upon receipt of said invoice and upon execution of this Agreement, the BOARD shall pay the COMMUNITY in an amount not to exceed \$88,352 from funds available in the PROGRAM.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement the day and date first written above.

OAKLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
David T. Woodward

Its: Chair

COMMUNITY

By: _____

Its: _____

LOCAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT MATCHING FUND PROGRAM

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Oakland County Government recognizes that Michigan law places the primary responsibility for road funding on the State and non-county local units of government. However, the County also recognizes that the law does permit a limited, discretionary role for the County in assisting a road commission and local units within a county by supporting some road maintenance and improvement efforts.

Accordingly, for many years Oakland County has voluntarily provided limited assistance to its cities, villages and townships (CVT's) and to the Road Commission of Oakland County (RCOC) by investing in a discretionary Tri-Party Road Program. Authorized under Michigan law, the County's tri-party funding contributions primarily facilitate safety improvement projects on CVT roads under the jurisdiction of the RCOC. By law, tri-party funds cannot be used to fund projects on roads solely under the jurisdiction of CVT's.

Recognizing a continuing need to better maintain local CVT streets and roads, yet being ever mindful of the County's limited responsibility for and jurisdiction over non-County roads and streets, Oakland County Government is continuing the success of the pilot program launched in 2016 that was more flexible than the current Tri-Party Road Program; one that allowed Oakland County to assist its cities and villages with maintenance and safety projects on non-County roads.

Not being the funding responsibility of County government, local CVT roads generally cannot be maintained or improved using County funds because doing so would be considered to be the "gifting" of County resources. However laudable the purpose, Michigan law generally forbids the gifting of government resources. To avoid application of the constitutionally-based gifting restriction, the state legislature must, and in this arena has, determined that a public benefit results from a taxpayer investment, one that provides a *quid pro quo* sufficient to avoid application of the gifting prohibition. Here, the legislature has determined that the economic development benefit presumed to accrue to a county as a result of local street and road investments can provide a sufficient *quid pro quo* to county taxpayers justifying a discretionary county investment in a non-county road, a benefit that constitutes a fair exchange for value and not a gift.

This legislative determination is set forth in 1985 P.A. 9, which amended 1913 P.A. 380, by adding a new section 2, which in pertinent part provides:

"(1) ...A county may grant or loan funds to a township, village or city located within that county for the purpose of encouraging and assisting businesses to locate and expand within the county...

(2) A loan or grant made under subsection (1) may be used for local public improvements or to encourage and assist businesses in locating or expanding in this state, to preserve jobs in this state, to encourage investment in the communities in this state, or for other public purposes."

Communities that wish to attract, retain and grow business, retain jobs and encourage community investment, needs a safely maintained road infrastructure. This road infrastructure must include

both residential and commercial roads as workers and consumers need to get to and from work, shopping, schools and recreation. In a fiscally prudent and limited manner, the County wishes to help its cities and villages accomplish this through its Local Road Improvement Matching Fund Program, commonly known as the Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP).

Any such program must be mindful of the limits imposed under Public Act 9. One important restriction Public Act 9 imposed on grants or loans made pursuant to Subsection 2 of the Act is the mandate that, "A grant or loan under this Subsection shall not be derived from ad valorem taxes except for ad valorem taxes approved by a vote of the people for economic development." This means that funding for an expanded local road assistance program cannot utilize proceeds from any of Oakland County's ad valorem tax levies since no levy has been approved by voters specifically for economic development.

Given this limitation, it appears that the state statutory revenue sharing appropriated to the County can provide a non-ad valorem source of funds that legally can be used to support the program. Competition for those funds, which are limited in amount, is fierce and their yearly availability is subject to the state legislative process. In the recent past, the State stripped all of those funds away from Michigan counties. Understanding that reality, it shall be the policy of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners that the Board shall not appropriate any County funds for a local road improvement matching fund program for non-County roads in any year where the State of Michigan fails to appropriate statutory revenue sharing funds to Oakland County in an amount sufficient to allow the County to first prudently address its core functions.

Act 9 imposes additional conditions on grants and loans. These include requirements that the loan or grant shall be administered within an established application process for proposals; that any grant or loan shall be made at a public hearing of the county board of commissioners and that the Board shall require a report to the county board of commissioners regarding the activities of the recipient and a report as to the degree to which the recipient has met the stated public purpose of the funding.

Understanding all of the above, the Oakland County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes the following Local Road Improvement Matching Fund Program:

PROGRAM SUMMARY

The Board of Commissioners established a Pilot Local Road Improvement Matching Fund Program through Miscellaneous Resolution #16103 for the purposes of improving economic development in Oakland County cities and villages. The County intends to continue this Program to assist its municipalities by offering limited matching funds for specific, targeted road maintenance and/or improvement projects on roadways under the jurisdiction of cities and villages.

A city or village participating in the Local Road Improvement Matching Fund Program shall match any fund authorized by the Board of Commissioners in an amount equal to a minimum of 50% of the cost of the total project award. County participation shall be limited to a maximum of 50% of the cost of the total project budget. Funding shall be utilized to supplement and enhance local road maintenance and improvement programs. Funding is not intended to replace existing budgeted local road programs or to replace funding already committed to road improvements.

PROJECT GUIDELINES

Program funding shall be utilized solely for the purposes of road improvements to roads under the jurisdiction of local cities and villages. Road improvements may include, but not be limited to, paving, resurfacing, lane additions or lengthening, bridges, or drainage as such improvements relate to road safety, structure or relieving congestion.

Program funding:

- **May** be utilized to supplement a local government's matched funding for the purposes of receiving additional federal transportation funding;
- **May not** be utilized to fulfill a local government's responsibility to fund improvements to state trunklines;
- **Shall be limited to** real capital improvements to roadways and shall not be utilized for other purposes, such as administrative expenses, personnel, consultants or other similar purposes;
- **Shall not be** utilized for non-motorized improvements, unless these improvements are included in a project plan for major improvements to a motorized roadway;
- **Shall be** utilized for projects that will result in a measurable improvement in the development of the local economy and contribute to business growth. Recipients shall be responsible for providing an outline of the economic benefits of the project prior to approval and for reporting to the Board of Commissioners after the completion of the project on the benefits achieved as a result of the projects.

ADMINISTRATION

Local Road Improvement Matching Fund Program projects may be appropriated by the Board of Commissioners in compliance with the County budget process. The amount of funds to be dedicated for the Program shall be determined by the Board of Commissioners on an annual basis. Program funding may be reduced or eliminated based upon the ability of the County government to meet primary constitutional and statutory duties. The Board of Commissioners expressly reserves the right to adjust the County matching funds share at any time based upon County budget needs.

In accordance with MCL 123.872, funds dedicated to the Local Road Improvement Matching Fund Program shall not be derived from ad valorem tax revenues. Program funding shall be limited to funds derived from the County's distribution from the Michigan General Revenue Sharing Act. Reduction or elimination of the County's distribution of revenue sharing funds may result in the elimination or suspension of the program.

Funding availability shall be distributed based upon a formula updated annually. The formula will consist of:

1. A percentage derived from the number of certified local major street miles in each city and village divided by aggregate total of certified local major street miles of all cities and villages in the County.
2. A percentage derived from the population of each city and village as determined by the last decennial census conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau divided by the aggregate total population of cities and villages in the County.

3. A percentage derived from the three-year rolling total of the number of crashes on city and village major local streets divided by the aggregate three-year rolling crash numbers for all city and village major local streets, using the most recent data available. The crash data will be supplied by the South East Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

Each city and village's percentage allocation shall be determined by adding each factor percentage and dividing that total by three. The amount of funds available for match shall be determined by the total amount of funds allocated by the Board of Commissioners added to an equal amount representing the match provided by local cities and villages.

The Chairman of the Board of Commissioners shall establish a Special Committee on the Local Road Improvement Program. This Special Committee shall consist of three members, with two members representing the majority caucus and one member representing the minority caucus. It shall be the responsibility of the Special Committee to direct the administration of this program, receive applications for program funding, and make recommendations of acceptance to the Board of Commissioners. The Special Committee may consult with County departments, staff, the South East Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG), and the Road Commission for Oakland County in the conduct of its business.

DISBURSEMENT

The Special Committee shall forward recommendations for approval of Local Road Improvement Matching Fund Program projects to the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners. This recommendation shall include a cost participation agreement between the County and participating municipality. Minimally, cost participation agreements shall include: responsibility for administering the project, the project location, purpose, scope, estimated costs including supporting detail, provisions ensuring compliance with project guidelines, as well as disbursement eligibility requirements. The cost participation agreement shall also require the maintenance of supporting documentation to ensure compliance with the following provisions:

1. Any and all supporting documentation for project expenditures reimbursed with appropriated funding shall be maintained a minimum of seven years from the date of final reimbursement for actual expenditures incurred.
2. The Oakland County Auditing Division reserves the right to audit any and all project expenditures reimbursed through the program.

Upon receipt of recommendation of project approval from the Special Committee, the County Commissioner or Commissioners representing the area included in the proposed project may introduce a resolution authorizing approval of the project and the release of funds. Resolutions shall be forwarded to the Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee of the Board of Commissioners, who shall review and issue a recommendation to the Board on the adoption of the resolution. A public hearing shall be scheduled before the Board of Commissioners prior to consideration of final approval of the resolution.

The deadline for projects to be submitted for consideration shall be established by the Special Committee. The Special Committee may work with participating municipalities to develop a plan for projects that exceed that municipality's annual allocation amount. This may include a limited

plan to rollover that municipality's allocation for a period of years until enough funding availability has accrued to complete the project, subject to funding availability.

Upon completion of project plans and execution of the cost participation agreement by the County and governing authority of the local municipality, the participating municipality shall submit an invoice in accordance with the terms and conditions included in the agreement. The Oakland County Department of Management and Budget Fiscal Services Division shall process payments in accordance with policies and procedures as set forth by the Department of Management and Budget and the Oakland County Treasurer.

In the event an eligible local unit of government chooses not to participate in the Local Road Improvement Matching Fund Program, or an approved project is cancelled, any previously undistributed allocated funding may be reallocated to all participating local units of government at the discretion of the Local Road Improvement Program Special Committee.

At the completion of each project, the participating local government shall provide a report to the Board of Commissioners regarding the activities of the recipient and the degree to which the recipient has met the stated public purpose of the funding as required by MCL 123.872.

LRIP DISTRIBUTION FORMULA
2023

Attachment "B"

City/Village	Cert Major Local Road Miles	Miles %	Population	Pop %	Crash Data 2019-2021	Crash %	Miles + Pop + Crash	Max County Match	Minimum Project Cost
Auburn Hills	32.33	4.82%	24,880	3.17%	865	4.31%	4.10%	\$ 88,352	\$ 176,704
Berkley	15.63	2.33%	15,277	1.94%	246	1.22%	1.83%	\$ 39,527	\$ 79,053
Beverly Hills	10.99	1.64%	10,276	1.31%	101	0.50%	1.15%	\$ 24,793	\$ 49,585
Bingham Farms	1.02	0.15%	1,138	0.14%	0	0.00%	0.10%	\$ 2,134	\$ 4,269
Birmingham	21.87	3.26%	21,312	2.71%	908	4.52%	3.50%	\$ 73,413	\$ 150,825
Bloomfield Hills	8.83	1.32%	3,988	0.51%	96	0.48%	0.77%	\$ 16,547	\$ 33,094
Clerkston	1.48	0.22%	914	0.12%	23	0.11%	0.15%	\$ 3,245	\$ 6,490
Clawson	9.62	1.44%	11,731	1.49%	247	1.23%	1.39%	\$ 29,876	\$ 59,752
Farmington	7.36	1.10%	10,395	1.32%	86	0.43%	0.95%	\$ 20,473	\$ 40,946
Farmington Hills	58.36	8.71%	80,017	10.18%	1840	9.16%	9.35%	\$ 201,556	\$ 403,112
Ferdale	20.99	3.13%	20,198	2.57%	551	2.74%	2.81%	\$ 60,682	\$ 121,364
Franklin	4.34	0.63%	3,221	0.41%	14	0.07%	0.38%	\$ 8,099	\$ 16,199
Hazel Park	17.12	2.55%	16,209	2.06%	638	3.18%	2.60%	\$ 53,997	\$ 111,993
Holly	7	1.04%	6,079	0.77%	67	0.33%	0.72%	\$ 15,460	\$ 30,921
Huntington Woods	6.95	1.04%	6,203	0.79%	38	0.19%	0.67%	\$ 14,483	\$ 28,966
Keego Harbor	1.93	0.29%	3,334	0.43%	14	0.07%	0.26%	\$ 5,637	\$ 11,273
Lake Angelus	0	0.00%	308	0.04%	0	0.00%	0.01%	\$ 282	\$ 563
Lake Orion	2.74	0.41%	3,191	0.41%	48	0.24%	0.35%	\$ 7,573	\$ 15,145
Lathrup Village	7.36	1.10%	4,051	0.52%	364	1.81%	1.14%	\$ 24,614	\$ 49,228
Leonard	2.34	0.35%	416	0.05%	7	0.03%	0.15%	\$ 3,139	\$ 6,279
Madison Heights	21.5	3.21%	29,633	3.77%	1041	5.18%	4.05%	\$ 87,383	\$ 174,766
Milford	7.3	1.09%	6,473	0.82%	169	0.84%	0.92%	\$ 19,792	\$ 39,585
Northville	0.8	0.12%	5,926	0.75%	23	0.11%	0.33%	\$ 7,100	\$ 14,200
Novi	39.52	5.90%	60,852	7.74%	823	4.10%	5.91%	\$ 127,457	\$ 254,913
Oak Park	18.35	2.74%	29,293	3.73%	757	3.77%	3.41%	\$ 73,538	\$ 147,075
Orchard Lake Village	1.8	0.27%	2,471	0.31%	42	0.21%	0.26%	\$ 5,692	\$ 11,384
Ortonville	3.21	0.48%	1,430	0.18%	9	0.04%	0.24%	\$ 5,071	\$ 10,142
Oxford	6.01	0.90%	3,541	0.45%	73	0.36%	0.57%	\$ 12,293	\$ 24,585
Pleasant Ridge	3.59	0.54%	2,403	0.31%	89	0.44%	0.43%	\$ 9,230	\$ 18,439
Pontiac	70.21	10.47%	58,911	7.50%	2709	13.48%	10.49%	\$ 226,037	\$ 452,075
Rochester	8.59	1.28%	13,201	1.68%	259	1.29%	1.42%	\$ 30,546	\$ 61,091
Rochester Hills	38.61	5.76%	74,111	9.43%	601	2.99%	6.06%	\$ 130,667	\$ 261,335
Royal Oak	63.96	9.54%	58,963	7.50%	2883	14.35%	10.47%	\$ 225,608	\$ 451,215
South Lyon	4.43	0.66%	11,846	1.51%	48	0.24%	0.80%	\$ 17,300	\$ 34,600
Southfield	64.71	9.65%	72,174	9.19%	1830	9.11%	9.32%	\$ 200,833	\$ 401,666
Sylvan Lake	2.58	0.38%	1,840	0.23%	9	0.04%	0.22%	\$ 4,771	\$ 9,541
Troy	57.34	8.55%	83,589	10.64%	2036	10.13%	9.78%	\$ 210,739	\$ 421,478
Walled Lake	5.34	0.80%	7,080	0.90%	122	0.61%	0.77%	\$ 16,563	\$ 33,127
Wixom	10.49	1.56%	14,086	1.79%	401	2.00%	1.78%	\$ 38,471	\$ 76,941
Wolverine Lake	3.69	0.55%	4,745	0.60%	15	0.07%	0.41%	\$ 8,832	\$ 17,664
TOTAL	670.29	100.00%	785,728	100.00%	20,092	100.00%	100.00%	\$ 2,155,804	\$ 4,311,608



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MEETING DATE: JUNE 5, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO 9A

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Thomas A. Tanghe, City Manager; Jason Hefner, Manager of Fleet & Roads
Submitted: May 19, 2023
Subject: Motion – Approve DPW Back Lot Bid Award, Construction Engineering/Observation and Contract Administration Services to OHM Advisors, and Material Testing Services to G2 Consulting

INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

BID AWARD

Several years ago, a parking lot improvement plan began to reconstruct the parking lot and drive of the Department of Public Works. At that time, the main parking lot was reconstructed in asphalt and the first half of the back lot was reconstructed in concrete. The southern half of the back lot, currently asphalt and concrete, is failing due to age and large truck traffic since all of the city's bulk materials are stored in that location. The project includes replacement with 9" of concrete (with a protectant for salt) and some minor storm improvements for added longevity of the surface. Also, a new steel structure is included on the western half of the lot to give protection to the swap-loader boxes that allow some of our salt trucks to be used for alternate purposes (the city currently owns 6 boxes with 4 additional boxes on order). This protection from sunlight and precipitation will help to strengthen the longevity of these boxes.

Budgeted between 2022 and 2023 was/is a total of \$400,000 for design and reconstruction. From initial talks, design changed adding storm structures and a steel structure while concrete prices have dramatically increased since 2020, rising 40 percent where previously prices had increased 3 percent annually. These items account for the added increase in the cost for this project.

On Monday, May 8, 2023, bids were received for the AH DPW Back Lot. The three lowest bids received are included in the table below:

Contractor	Total Bid
Great Lakes Contracting Solutions, LLC	\$716,276.25
Lacaria Concrete Construction	\$718,099.00
Angelo Iafrate Construction Co.	\$837,100.00

Great Lakes Contracting Solutions, LLC out of Waterford Michigan is the apparent low bidder for this project. They specialize in excavation, underground utility construction, concrete paving, and pavement repairs. They have completed several projects for the City of Auburn Hills in the last decade. These projects include Taylor Rd, Auburn Rd. Parking & WM, and a Concrete Maintenance Package that included overlay repairs on N. Squirrel Rd. Based on our previous experience and their qualifications, we would recommend award of this contract to Great Lakes Contracting Solutions, LLC.

CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING/OBSERVATION AND CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

OHM Advisors serves as the City Engineer and provides engineering, observation, and contract administration for all of the City's infrastructure capital projects. Their Scope of Services is attached as Exhibit 3 and is a not to exceed amount of \$61,200 while G2 Consulting's material testing is estimated at \$12,500.

PROJECT FUNDING

Because other capital projects have been completed below estimated values, staff recommends approval of amendments to the capital project fund for the construction of this project. The construction engineering/observation, contract services, and material testing will still be paid from the original budget within the Fleet Fund. The amendments that will be required are \$152,000 to 401-901-972.000-21BDDPWCKLT for the steel structure and \$564,276.25 to 401-901-973-21BDDPWCKLT for the lot reconstruction.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the construction bid to Great Lakes Contracting Solutions, LLC, construction engineering/observation and contract services to OHM Advisors, and material testing to G2 Consulting for an estimated total cost of \$789,976.25. Staff also recommends amendments to the capital projects budget as follows: \$152,000 to 401-901-972.000-21BDDPWCKLT and \$564,276.25 to 401-901-973-21BDDPWCKLT.

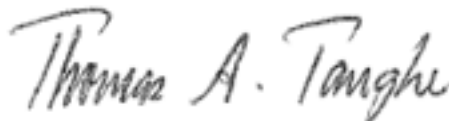
MOTION

Move to approve of the construction bid to Great Lakes Contracting Solutions, LLC, construction engineering/observation and contract services to OHM Advisors, and material testing to G2 Consulting for an estimated total cost of \$789,976.25 and the amendments to the capital projects fund listed within the staff recommendation section of this memo.

EXHIBITS

- Exhibit 1 – Current Conditions
- Exhibit 2 – DPW Back Lot
- Exhibit 3 – OHM Scope of Services

I CONCUR:



THOMAS A. TANGHE, CITY MANAGER





1500 Brown Rd

332.63

332.63

377.89

16.76

203.79

278.92

200.46

14-03-100-027

Back Lot Reconstruction

Lean-To Area



May 10, 2022

Mr. Stephen Baldante
Director of Public Works
City of Auburn Hills
1500 Brown Road
Auburn Hills, Michigan 48326

RE: **DPW Back Lot Reconstruction**
Scope of Construction Services

Dear Mr. Baldante:

Outlined below is a Scope of Work for construction services to be provided by OHM Advisors for the above referenced project.

PROJECT UNDERSTANDING

It is our understanding that the City of Auburn Hills plans to move forward with the construction phase of the DPW Back Lot Reconstruction for which bids were received on Monday, May 8th, 2023. The proposed project consists of removal of existing pavement, installation storm sewer & storm water treatment device, placement of new concrete pavement, and construction of a new cold storage building.

SCOPE OF SERVICE

Construction Engineering / Observation

Under this task the project team will observe the construction efforts on the project and assist with any necessary field changes to successfully complete the work. Specific work efforts include:

- ▶ Provide daily observation of the project when construction work is occurring to verify that materials, installation, and construction methods used are in conformance with the project plans and specifications as well as applicable standards. Full-time observation will be provided for all roadway and utility construction.
- ▶ Produce daily field reports to document construction activities and record quantities of contract pay items.
- ▶ Prepare and provide the Contractor with a list of required submittals and review shop drawings, construction schedules, materials certifications, and other submittals.
- ▶ Address Contractor's construction concerns and resolve conflicts with the executed contract specifications.
- ▶ Arrange and attend regularly scheduled progress meetings during the construction phase. It is anticipated that meetings will be held weekly during the active construction period.
- ▶ Coordinate with the materials testing consultant on material related items.
- ▶ Coordinate with stakeholders in the construction area regarding access, traffic staging, schedule, and other pertinent items for the duration of the project.
- ▶ Prepare and deliver record (As-Built) plans that include the constructed location of all installed underground utilities. Record plans will be delivered electronically in PDF format as well as hard (mylar) copy.



Contract Administration

Under this task, the project team will complete services necessary to administer the contract. Specific work efforts include:

- Coordination with the Contractor and City to execute the contract documents.
- Arrange and attend one (1) pre-construction meeting prior to the start of the project.
- Provide two (2) signed copies of the contract documents to the City, one (1) to the Clerk's office and one (1) to the DPW.
- Review Contractor's progress on the project to ensure that the work is in compliance with the proposed schedule.
- Prepare monthly construction pay estimates and process contract change orders (if required).
- Request and review information from the Contractor to verify compliance with wage rates, Buy America, and other funding requirements.
- Review construction claims and coordinate claim resolution with Contractor and City.
- Request and collect Contractor's declaration, contractor's affidavit, waivers from major suppliers and subcontractors, release of surety, and release from other public agencies for which permits have been obtained under this contract.

Construction Survey

This task will involve performing construction staking for the proposed roadway work. Specific work efforts include:

- Establish on-site survey control to be utilized during the construction of the project.
- Provide required construction staking for line and elevation of contract items for pavement, building foundation, and underground utilities. Off-set stake locations will be coordinated with the Contractor. We have included effort required to provide one complete set of off-set stakes for these items. Re-staking of items due to displaced or damaged stakes will be provided for an additional hourly fee.

SCHEDULE

Based on the Council meeting schedules, we anticipate that the project award would be approved at the May 15th Council meeting and construction on the project would begin in June. The project work is expected to be completed by October of this year.

COMPENSATION

The services outlined above will be performed on an hourly basis for the not-to-exceed amount of sixty-one thousand two hundred dollars (\$61,200.00). This amount is based on the assumptions listed below. The City will be invoiced for services on a monthly basis. The estimated budget breakdown is as follows:

Construction Engineering/Observation	\$ 38,800
Contract Administration	\$ 12,600
Construction Survey	<u>\$ 9,800</u>
Construction Services Total	\$ 61,200
Materials Testing Services (G2)	\$ 12,500

FURTHER CLARIFICATIONS AND ASSUMPTIONS

The above-listed scope of services was prepared with the following assumptions:

- Materials testing services will be provided by G2 Consulting Group under a separate contract and are not included in this scope of services. The estimated amount for this service is indicated above.



- The City will be responsible for all permit fees.

Should you find this agreement acceptable, please execute both copies and return one copy to us for our files. We look forward to providing professional services on this project. If you have any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

OHM ADVISORS

Timothy J. Juidici, P.E.

Principal

cc: Jason Hefner, Manager of Fleet & Roads
Hannah Driesenga, OHM
File

**City of Auburn Hills
DPW Back Lot
Construction Services**

Accepted By: _____

Printed Name: _____

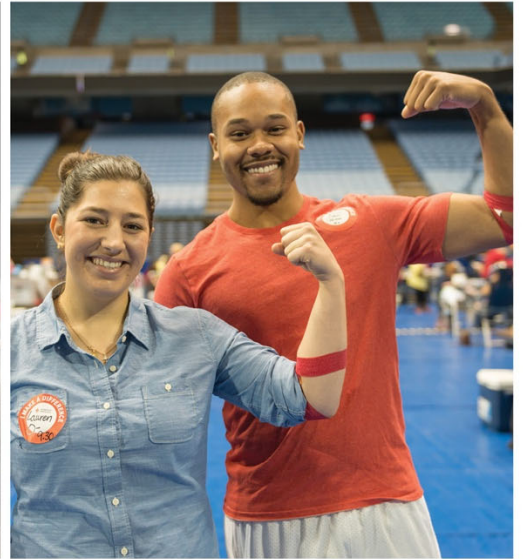
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**American
Red Cross**

Thank you!



City of Auburn Hills

Sponsor Group

May 26, 2023

Date of Drive

22

Total Number of Donors

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First Time Donors

21

Units Collected

63

Potential Number of Lives Saved

When you made the decision to host a blood drive, you helped change lives.



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May 16, 2023

Ms. Laura Pierce, Clerk
City of Auburn Hills
1827 N. Squirrel
Auburn Hills, MI 48326

Dear Ms. Pierce:

RE: Important Information—Update Regarding Price Changes

Due to a reduction in the 2023 costs associated with providing certain broadcast stations, the overall monthly charge for the Broadcast TV Fee will be lowered for customers in your community from \$20.70 to \$19.05. We are providing notice to customers through bill messages, and their billing statements will reflect the decrease in the monthly fee.

Please feel free to contact me at 248-924-4917 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Eric Woody
Manager of External Affairs
Comcast, Heartland Region
41112 Concept Drive
Plymouth, MI 48170



May 3, 2023

Auburn Hills Community Center
1827 N Squirrel Rd
Auburn Hills, MI 48326-2749

Dear Friends at Auburn Hills Community Center,

During this season of longer days and warmer weather, Spring brings with it renewed hope for brighter days, which is the gift you are providing neighbors who are facing hardship through your donation of food/household items to our Food Pantry on May 2, 2023.

Your generosity enables us to stock the Food Pantry with nutritious groceries, which goes a long way in making sure our clients maintain a balanced diet. Families receive food based on nutritional guidelines provided by dietetic professionals, and we recently reinstated cooking classes, which were cancelled during the pandemic, to help clients learn to prepare healthy meals.

Your contribution to the Food Pantry is making a difference, and we thank you for your support. Please feel free to call me with any questions or to learn more about our services.

Sincerely,

Michael Dreon
Executive Director

Rochester Area Neighborhood House, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, Federal Tax ID#38-1956214.
No goods or services were received in consideration of this gift.

MAIN OFFICE

1720 S. Livernois Road
Rochester Hills, MI
48307
248-651-5836

CLOTHES CLOSET

44 Mill Street
Rochester, MI
48307

FOOD PANTRY

1315 N. Pine Street
Rochester, MI
48307

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Oakland County commission to vote of local-road aid

Program helps cities and villages



File photo. (Stephen Frye / MediaNews Group)

By **PEG MCNICHOL** | pmcnichol@medianewsgroup.com |
May 19, 2023 at 5:13 a.m.

Oakland County cities and villages will receive more than \$2 million for road improvements if approved by the county commission next week.

Members of the county's local road improvement program special committee are recommending approval of the plan to the commission's economic development and infrastructure committee. Commissioners will review these recommendations on Thursday, May 25.

The special committee members are Gary McGillivray, chairman; Philip Weipert and Charles Cavell, a non-voting member of the committee.

Weipert said he expects a few more applications, which the committee will review on May 25, before the commissioners meet that evening.

The county commission budgets \$2 million for the program, Weipert said. This year included a rollover of \$100,550 not spent last year.

Cities and villages must pay for at least half of the projects to qualify for the program. Any county money not spent, either because a project gets canceled or is under budget, must be returned.

The proposed projects, in alphabetical order:

- Auburn Hills: \$88,352 of a \$2,874,500 plan to replace Harmon Road pavement between Joslyn and M-24.
- Berkley: \$39,527 for \$175,000 of repairs on various city streets
- Beverly Hills: \$24,793 of a \$500,000 plan for patch replacement on Drury Lane, Norchester Street, Kirkshire Avenue and Mayfair Lane.
- Birmingham \$75,413 for \$920,900 in improvements to East Brown Street, south of . Old Woodward to Woodward Avenue
- Bloomfield Hills: \$16,547 of a \$516,346 road construction project on Lone Pine Hill, Edgemere, Cranbrook Court, Linda Lane, between Cranbrook to bridge, and Linda Court
- Clarkston: \$3,245 of a \$9,625 plan to patch pavement and fill cracks and make other Improvements on Depot Road, Miller Road, East Church and East Washington
- Farmington: \$20,473 of a \$295,473 plan for road construction on Alta Loma, Cass Street, and Wilmarth Street
- Farmington Hills: \$201,556 of \$403,112 for concrete slab repair and local road maintenance
- Ferndale: \$60,682 of a \$254,151 plan to resurface Bermuda
- Hazel Park: \$55,997 of a \$113,940 plan for reconstructing Woodward Heights Boulevard
- Village of Holly: \$15,460 of a \$495,700 plan to improve College Street from Maple to Baird
- Huntington Woods: \$14,483 of a \$3,286,438 resurfacing project on Winchester Avenue and local road pavement improvement plan
- Keego Harbor: \$5,637 of a \$11,274 local road crack-sealing plan.
- City of Lake Angelus: \$282 toward \$1,600 in pothole repairs on the road to the city's recreation area
- Village of Lake Orion: \$7,573 of a \$22,573 crack-sealing plan for Flint and Atwater streets
- City of Lathrup Village: \$24,614 of a \$177,781 Sunset Drive resurfacing project
- Village of Leonard: \$3,139 of a \$6,279 project to improve Baza Street and Division Street east of Forest to Baza Street
- Madison Heights: \$87,383 for Commerce Drive concrete section repairs, budgeted at \$237,312

- Village of Milford: \$19,792 for the \$65,000 Summit Street reconstruction
- City of Novi: \$127,457 of a \$2.7 million road rehabilitation project for Hudson, Magellan and Humbolt drives, Desoto, Peary, and Ryan courts
- Oak Park: \$73,538 for the \$2,057,294 pavement rehabilitation plan for Nine Mile Road, between Cloverlawn and Pinecrest avenues.
- Orchard Lake Village: \$5,692 for \$11,384 in improvements to Old Orchard Trail
- Ortonville: \$5,071 of a \$10,142 local road crack-sealing plan
- Village of Oxford: \$12,293 for the \$27,293 East Burdick Street resurfacing
- Pleasant Ridge: \$9,230 for \$71,233 in concrete replacement for Oakland Park and Elm Park boulevards.
- Pontiac: \$226,037 for the \$2.5 million plan to reconstruct Pike Street between North and South Woodward avenues.
- Rochester: \$22,500 for \$45,000 in South Castell Avenue improvements
- Rochester Hills: \$130,667 of a \$2.3 million local-road concrete reconstruction plan
- Royal Oak: \$225,608 for the \$468,692 reconstruction of Seventh Street and E. Houstonia Avenue
- South Lyon: \$17,300 of the \$37,000 Warren Street improvement project
- Southfield: \$200,833 of the \$2.6 million local-road improvement plan
- Sylvan Lake: \$4,771 for \$229,771 dedicated to repaving of local asphalt streets
- Troy: \$210,739 for the \$460,000 Kirts Boulevard concrete slab replacement plan
- Walled Lake: \$16,563 for the \$113,543 Annjo Street improvement plan
- Wixom: \$38,471 for \$91,400 in repairs and improvements to 12 Mile Road, Oak Creek and Century Industrial Park
- Wolverine Lake: \$8,832 for the \$29,832 crack-sealing plan.

Farmers markets are cropping up in Oakland County, with flowers, plants and more



Oakland County Farmers Market (Photo by Paula Pasche, MediaNews Group file photo)

By **KATHY BLAKE** | kblake@medianewsgroup.com | The Oakland Press

PUBLISHED: May 11, 2023 at 6:00 a.m. | UPDATED: May 15, 2023 at 12:37 p.m.

Farmers markets are cropping up in the area, offering flowers, plants, vegetable starters, herbs and early season fresh produce. In addition, some markets host food trucks and musical entertainment. Other items at markets include beauty products, baked foods, canned goods, arts and crafts. Some markets are set to open in the summer, when more produce is in season for Michigan.

- **My Garden Produce and Roasted Corn Farmers Market:** 9 a.m.-7 p.m. daily through summer, 3157 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills, currently offering flowers and plants. In the last week of July, the market stand will offer corn and fresh vegetables and fruits, 248-631-9444, Facebook, bit.ly/38jwSkz.

- **Birmingham Farmers Market:** 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays, May 7-Oct. 29, live music, locally grown seasonal produce, artisan baked goods, fresh foods, plants, in Public Parking Lot 6 at 660 North Old Woodward Ave., downtown Birmingham, (free parking on Sundays), 248-530-1200, ALLINBirmingham.com/FarmersMarket.

- **Clarkston Farmers Market:** 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturdays June 10 to Oct. 14 in the front parking lot at the Clarkston Community Education Center, 6558 Waldon Road, Clarkston, features live music, clarkstonareafarmersmarket@gmail.com clarkstonareafarmersmarket.com.

- **The Farmstand:** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sundays, May 7-Nov. 5, at Clawson City Park, 1080 N. Custer (in the parking lot off Elmwood between Main and Crooks Road). Summer Sunday Park Market with Craft and Flea Market is 9 a.m.-1 p.m. May 21, June 11, June 25, July 10, July 23, Aug. 13, Aug. 27, www.cityofclawson.com/your_community/farmers_market.php.

- **Farmington Farmers and Artisans Market:** 9 a.m.- 2 p.m. Saturdays, May 6 to Nov. 4, at Walter E. Sundquist Pavilion, 33113 Grand River Ave., at Grove St., 248-473-7276 ext. 13, farmingtonfarmersmarket.com. Health & Wellness Expo is 9 a.m.-2 p.m. May 20.

- **Fenton Farmers Market:** 5-8 p.m. Thursdays, May 18 to Sept. 21, in front of the Fenton Community & Cultural Center, 150 S. Leroy St., Fenton, facebook.com/fentonmarket, slpr.net, pets are not allowed in market space.

- **Highland Farmers Market:** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, June 17 to Oct. 7 in downtown Highland, at the corner of Milford Road and M-59/Highland Road, 313-753-2756, highlandfarmmarket.com, www.facebook.com/HighlandFarmersMarketMichigan.

- **Holly Farmers Market:** 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays, May 7 to Oct 22 at Crapo Park, downtown Holly, hollyfarmersmarket.weebly.com, facebook.com/HollyFarmers.

- **Milford Farmers Market:** 3-7 p.m. Thursdays, May 11 to Oct. 12, at 115 E Liberty St, in downtown Milford, fresh produce, live music, family activities, milfordvendor@gmail.com, milfordfarmersmarket.org.

- **Northville Farmers Market:** 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Thursdays, May 4 through Oct. 26, the corner of 7 Mile and Center St., across from the Northville Downs Track, 248-349-7640, northville.org/farmers-market-vendors.

- Oakland County Farmers Market Flower Days: 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays, May 14-June 11, at the market, 2350 Pontiac Lake Road, Waterford Twp. Annuals, perennials, plants, hanging baskets, succulents and vegetable starters will be for sale by vendors. The market is also open from 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, (summer market hours), OaklandCountyParks.com.
- Ortonville Farmers Market: 9 a.m.- noon, Saturdays, June 17 to Sept. 30, downtown Ortonville, email hfulghum64@gmail.com, facebook.com/ortonvillefarmersmarket.
- Davis Family Farmers Market: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays, May 13-Oct. 28, at Seymour Lake Township Park, 2795 Seymour Lake Road, Oxford, oxparkrec.org.
- Downtown Rochester Farmers Market: 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays May 6-Oct. 28 at the corner of E. Third and Water Street, one block east of Main Street, Downtownrochestermi.com, 248-656-0060.
- Royal Oak Farmers Market: 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, year-round, 316 E. 11 Mile, Royal Oak, 248-246-3276, romi.gov/farmersmarket. Antiques and Collectibles show is 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Sundays.
- South Lyon Farmers and Artisans Market: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays, May 6 through October at the northwest corner of Lafayette and Liberty Street, 110 W Liberty St. downtown South Lyon, 248-388-7404, southlyonfarmersmarket.org, www.facebook.com/SouthLyonFarmersandArtisansMarket/
- Troy Farmers Market: 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Fridays, June 16 to Sept. 29, at Jeanne M. Stine Community Park, adjacent to the Skate Park, 3179 Livernois, off Town Center, seasonal Michigan grown fruits and vegetables, flowers and products, food trucks, musical entertainment, 248-524-1147, troymi.gov/farmersmarket, facebook.com/TroyMIFarmersMarket.
- Walled Lake Farmers Market: 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesdays, May 3 to October, at the Walled Lake City Event Field, 1499 E. West Maple, Walled Lake, 248-624-4847, walledlake.us, facebook.com/WalledLakeFarmersMarket.

Flower and plant sales

- Rose Hill Center 21st annual Flower Sale and Fair: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. May 13, at 5130 Rose Hill Blvd., Holly, to support the horticulture program for the facility that treats adults with mental illness. Plants for sale will include roses, annuals, perennials, flower planters, and hanging baskets. The family-friendly event includes a hot food and bake sale, petting farm, hayrides, and a safety expo. www.rosehillcenter.org.
- The Farmington Hills Beautification Commission annual Plant and Seed Swap: 8:30-10:30 a.m. May 13, at the Heritage Park Visitor's Center parking lot, 24915 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, rain or shine. Community members are asked to bring plants and seeds to trade. For information, call 248-871-2545 or visit www.fhgov.com.
- Royal Oak in Bloom outdoor flower and garden show: 7 a.m.-2 p.m. May 14, Mother's Day at Sixth and Main street parking lots The event features vendors and local farmers with plants and flowers, admission is free, parking is free on Sundays at all city on-street spaces, lots and parking decks in Royal Oak. Shoppers are encouraged to bring wagons to transport purchases, facebook.com/RoyalOakInBloom, www.royaloakchamber.com.
- Meadow Brook Garden Club Perennial Plant Sale: 8 a.m.-2 p.m. May 18 at Meadow Brook Hall, 350 Estate Drive, Rochester, 248-364-6210, email MBGCmembers@gmail.com, meadowbrookhall.org, no tickets required.
- Native Plant Sale: 4-6 p.m. May 19, at the Farmington Hills Nature Center in Heritage Park, 24915 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, featuring native grasses, wildflowers, and garden kits. Proceeds benefit the Farmington Hills Nature Center Preschool Scholarship Fund. For information, email valarsen@fhgov.com.
- Cranbrook House & Gardens Auxiliary's 51st Annual Spring Plant Sale fundraiser is 10 a.m.-5 p.m. May 19, and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. May 20, at Cranbrook House & Gardens, 380 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills, housegardens.cranbrook.edu/events/spring-plant-sale, 248-645-3149. Visitors are encouraged to bring wagons to transport their purchases to their vehicles.
- Waterford Garden Spring Plant Sale is 9 a.m.-3 p.m. May 20 at Waterford Senior Center, 3621 Pontiac Lake Road, Waterford Township, www.waterford.k12.mi.us/community/facilities/waterford-senior-center.

Memorial Day weekend parades and activities happening in Oakland County



Ortonville VFW Post 582 leads the Memorial Day Parade through downtown Ortonville last year. (Photo courtesy of Ortonville VFW Post 582 Cmdr. Dennis Hoffman)

By **SHARON LONGMAN** | sslstart@aol.com |
May 17, 2023 at 6:00 a.m.

Memorial Day is Monday, May 29, honoring those who lost their lives serving in the military. The following activities are planned in Oakland County:

Auburn Hills

- The American Legion Post 143 Memorial Day Parade is 11 a.m. May 29, starting at Avondale High School, 2800 Waukegan St., Auburn Hills, then north on Squirrel Road, to Aaron Webster Cemetery for a ceremony, then to Mother's Plaque for a prayer and to Post 143, at 96 Churchill, for a free luncheon, open to the public, 248-852-4880.

Berkley

- Berkley American Legion Post 374 and Berkley VFW 9222 will participate in a ceremony at 11 a.m., May 29, at the Berkley Veterans Memorial at the gazebo at 3338 Coolidge Hwy. and Post 374 at noon, at 2079 W. Twelve Mile Road, 248-542-7668.

Beverly Hills

- The 40th Annual Memorial Day Parade begins at 11 a.m. May 29, at Groves High School, 20500 W. 13 Mile Road to north on Evergreen Road to east Beverly Road to Beverly Park for the free carnival. A Memorial Day ceremony is at 1 p.m. at the flagpole, villagebeverlyhills.com.
- Beverly Hills Lions Club Fun Run/Walk, four-mile, begins at 9 a.m. and two-mile walk begins at 9:05 a.m. May 29, from Beverly Elementary, 18305 Beverly Road through Beverly Hills and back to Beverly Elementary. For information, find Village of Beverly Hills on Facebook.

Birmingham

- The City of Birmingham Memorial Day service is 10 a.m. May 29, at Shain Park, Merrill St., Birmingham, includes speakers and patriotic music, veterans. The Friends of the Birmingham Museum will mark the occasion with a special presentation and at 11:30 a.m. they will conduct a tour of historic Greenwood Cemetery, 738 Oak Ave., with emphasis on local heroes who have served our country. Family attendance is welcomed, and veterans' participation is encouraged, bhamgov.org.

Clarkston

- Clarkston American Legion Post 63 leads the Memorial Day Parade at 10 a.m. May 29 from downtown Depot Park along White Lake Road to a ceremony at Lakeview Cemetery, 6150 White Lake Road. The event includes the Honor Guard performing a rifle volley, raising of the flag and the playing of Taps, the Clarkston High School Band and Ladies in Mourning in period clothing laying flowers on graves. For more information, call 248-625-9912 after 4 p.m.

Farmington and Farmington Hills

- The Farmington and Farmington Hills Memorial Day Parade is 10 a.m. May 29, near the intersection of Grand River Avenue and Orchard Lake Road and will travel west on Grand River and end at Oakland Street, where a ceremony will take place at

the Farmington War Memorial Monument in Memorial Park. After the ceremony, all are welcome at the free community luncheon sponsored by Weingartz and the Xenplar Foundation, at the Groves Walker American Legion Hall, 31775 Grand River Ave., memorialdayparade.us.

Ferndale

- The Ferndale Memorial Day Parade, one of the oldest Memorial Day celebrations in Michigan, begins at 10 a.m. May 29, at Livernois and Maplehurst, north to Oakridge, west to Pinecrest, south to 9 Mile, east to Livernois, south to the Memorial Mall at approximately 11 a.m. for the ceremony, 248-227-1225, facebook.com/FerndaleMemorialParade.

Hazel Park

- The Hazel Park Memorial Weekend Festival is Friday, May 26 to Monday, May 29 in Green Acres Park, 620 W. Woodward Heights, 248-547-5535.
- The Hazel Park Memorial Day Ceremony starts at 9 a.m. May 29, at the Veteran's Memorial, at City Hall on John R and 9 Mile Road, before the parade at 10 a.m. The parade and bike ride starts at Hazel Park Junior High to Highland Avenue to Hazel Park Community Center to Green Acres Park, 620 W. Woodward Heights, 248-547-5535, facebook.com/HazelParkRecreation. Highland-White Lake-Milford VFW Post 9914 will conduct brief Memorial Day ceremonies at: 8 a.m. at Highland Cemetery; 8:30 a.m. at Highland Veterans Memorial Park and 9 a.m. at West Highland Cemetery, bit.ly/41FEL9G, 248-887-9914.

Holly

- A Memorial Day Ceremony is at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 28 at Great Lakes National Cemetery, 4200 Belford Road, Holly. Flag placement for Memorial Day will be on Friday, May 26 starting at 5 p.m. and flag pickup will be on May 30 starting at 5 p.m., cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/greatlakes.asp, or facebook.com/GreatLakesNC.
- The Village of Holly Memorial Day Parade begins at 10 a.m. May 29, at Saginaw and Maple streets in downtown Holly, turning east onto Maple, north onto Park Avenue to Lakeside Memorial Cemetery for a ceremony, 810-348-9960.

Keego Harbor

- The Keego Harbor Memorial Day Ceremony is at 9:30 a.m. May 29, at Veterans Memorial Plaza, at the corner of Cass Lake and Orchard Lake Roads, followed by the Memorial Day Parade at 10 a.m. The parade starts at the north end of Keego Harbor at Beachland Blvd. and Cass Lake Road and heads south on Cass Lake to Beland Avenue. Children are invited to decorate their bike and participate in the parade with an adult present, 248-682-1930, www.keegoharbor.org.

Lake Orion

- Orion Veterans Memorial, Memorial Day ceremony is 1 p.m. May 29, at 532 S. Broadway, orionveteransmemorial.com.
- Orion Veterans Memorial Day 5K Run/Walk, 5-Mile Run, with virtual options, starts at 9 a.m. May 29 in downtown Lake Orion, Anderson St. Event proceeds go to support the long-term sustainability of the Orion Veteran's Memorial, oriontownship.org.

Leonard

- The Leonard Cemetery Memorial Day Ceremony starts at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, May 27, at Lakeville Cemetery, 825 Drahner Road, with light refreshments afterward. Bring lawn chairs, parking is limited, 248-628-3086.

Madison Heights

- Madison Heights Memorial Day Parade is at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 27, starting at Wilkinson Middle School, 26524 John R, to north of Lincoln along John R to Eleven Mile Road and east to Madison Heights High School, madisonheightsparade.org.

Milford

- The Milford Memorial Day Parade is at 11 a.m. May 29, starting at American Legion Post 216, 510 W. Commerce Road and proceeds south on Main Street, ending in Milford's Central Park with a ceremony at noon, www.milfordlegion216.org.

Northville

- Northville Memorial Day Parade is at 10 a.m. May 29, down Cady Street to ceremony at 11 a.m. at Rural Hill Cemetery, 215 W. Seven Mile Road, Northville, www.northville.org.

Novi

- The City of Novi to host dinner for veterans and a guest at 5:30 p.m. May 24, at Fuerst Park, Ten Mile and Taft Road, followed by patriotic concert and memorial ceremony with a wreath laying, playing of "Taps", twenty-one-gun salute, and a moment of silence and reflection to remember those who were lost, and then a flag honor walk to commemorate the lives of our service members. This event is open to the community. Commemorative flags and medallions lining the pathways of Fuerst Park will be on display throughout Memorial Day weekend. Veterans are invited to attend as special guests. For information and for veterans to pre-register for dinner, call Novi Parks at 248-347-0400, bit.ly/3BukGbC.

Ortonville

- VFW Post 582 to host Ortonville's Memorial Day parade at 9:30 a.m. May 29, starting at the corner of Church and Mill Streets, the Old Town Hall and ending at the Ortonville Cemetery, 175 N. Ortonville Road (M-15), for the ceremony at the Veterans Monument. All veterans are welcome to walk in the parade. A flyover is scheduled. A VFW tent with free cold water to be at the cemetery. For information and veterans who need a ride, call Dennis Hoffman 248-627-1065.

Oxford

- Oxford's Memorial Day parade and ceremony will start at 10 a.m. May 29, at Oxford Centennial Park. The parade will travel north on Washington Street then west on Burdick Street and end at Ridgelawn Cemetery for a ceremony, facebook.com/VillageofOxfordMI, 248-628-2543.

Rochester

- The City of Rochester will host a Memorial Day ceremony at 8 a.m. May 29, at Mount Avon Cemetery, 400 Sixth St., Rochester, www.ci.rochester.mi.us.

Rochester Hills

- The City of Rochester Hills Memorial Day ceremony is 9 a.m. May 29, at Veterans Memorial Pointe, 1015 S. Livernois Road, Rochester Hills, www.rochesterhills.org.
- The Memorial Day parade will kick off at 11 a.m. Monday, May 29, at Van Hoosen Middle School, 1339 N. Adams and proceed north on Adams to the Veterans Tribute of Oakland Township for a closing ceremony honoring fallen veterans. For information, visit www.rrc-mi.com/memorial-day or www.rochesterhills.org, or call 248-651-6700.

Royal Oak

- The Memorial Day parade starts at 9 a.m. May 29, on Main Street at Lincoln, concluding in Centennial Commons at the Veterans War Memorial. A display of 189 United States flags will fly in a solemn formation at Centennial Commons from May 29 to June 5 to pay tribute to Royal Oak heroes who died in active military service, romi.gov.
- Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast fundraiser is 7 a.m.-noon, May 29, at Royal Oak Farmers Market, 316 E Eleven Mile, Royal Oak, 248-246-3276, royaloakhistoricalsociety.com, 248-439-1501, adults-\$8, children 10 and younger-\$3.

South Lyon

- The South Lyon Memorial Day Parade will begin at 9 a.m., May 29, proceeding from Bartlett Elementary east on Lake Street to Reynold Sweet Parkway, ending at the South Lyon Cemetery with a veterans ceremony, 248-437-1735, www.southlyonmi.org/residents/events/memorial_day_parade.php.

Sylvan Lake

- The Sylvan Lake Memorial Day Parade begins at 11:30 a.m. May 29 at City Hall and ends at Memorial Park, 1820 Inverness St. with a veterans ceremony. For information, call 248-682-1440, sylvanlake.org.

Troy

- The City of Troy to host Salute Our Fallen Veterans Memorial Day Ceremony, Monday, May 29 at 10 a.m. at Veterans Memorial Plaza in front of Troy City Hall, 500 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. The event includes music, the raising of the colors by the Troy Police Department Honor Guard, and the laying of a Memorial Wreath. For information, call 248-524-1147, troymi.gov.
- White Chapel Memorial Park Cemetery Memorial Day events include flag display of more than 400 large American flags throughout the park from 8 a.m. May 27 to 6 p.m. May 29. Sing-Along Concert is 3 p.m. Sunday, May 28, and Polar Bear Memorial Ceremony at 11 a.m. May 29, at 621 W. Long Lake Road, Troy, whitechapelcemetery.com.

Waterford Twp.

- Heart of the Lakes VFW Post 1008 hosts the annual Waterford Memorial Day Parade at 10 a.m., May 29. The parade begins at Dixie Highway and Sashabaw Road in front of Burke's Lumber and proceeds north on Dixie to the Walton/Williams Lake intersection. A memorial service will be held in the Drayton Plains Cemetery after the parade, 248-674-2826.

Walled Lake

- The Walled Lake Memorial Day Parade begins at 11 a.m. May 29, at 850 Ladd Road and proceeds down W. West Maple Road to city offices at 1499 E. West Maple Road, 248-624-4847, walledlake.us.

West Bloomfield Twp.

- The Greater West Bloomfield Historical Society participates in the Keego Harbor Memorial Day Parade at 9:30 a.m., May 29. Residents are invited to walk, bike, or drive vintage cars in the parade, 248-682-1930 or email contact@gwbhs.org.

White Lake Twp.

- The White Lake Inn hosts a Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast fundraiser for the White Lake Citizens League at 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. May 29, on the deck of the White Lake Inn, 3955 Ormond Road. Flag raising is at 11:30 a.m. The cost of tickets is \$10 per adult and \$5 per child 10 and younger. To pre-buy tickets, visit wlcl.org.

The Oakland Press is interested in all veterans events in Oakland County. Please send information in the body of an email with subject line "Veterans Affairs" to Sharon Longman at sslstart@aol.com. Allow two weeks' notice for scheduled events and include a phone number for readers to call for more information.

Seniors paint birdhouses to create Mother's Day gift that helps children

Available in Auburn Hills



Photo submitted by Quality of Life Adult Day Healthcare Center in Auburn Hills.

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A group of senior citizens, all with some form of dementia, spent about three months painting 200 birdhouses that will be sold as Mother's Day gifts, with the proceeds going to the Children's Miracle Network.

"My husband builds them out and my group paints them," said Jackie Smiertka, owner of the Quality of Life Adult Day Healthcare Center in Auburn Hills.

The colorful birdhouses go on sale at the Auburn Hills Costco store, 400 Brown Road, on Friday, May 12.

This is the third year that Smiertka's group has held the fundraiser for the Children's Miracle Network, which aids ill children and their families. Last year, the seniors raised \$2,500.

"They have all been sold out the past two years by the end of closing on Saturday," Smiertka said.

Last year, the birdhouses sold for \$15 each, and will likely sell for about the same this year, she said.