



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

APRIL 21, 2025

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

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

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Tanghe, Assistant City Manager Skopek, City Attorney Kelly, City Clerk Pierce, Chief of Police Gagnon, Fire Chief Massingill, Asst Dir of Community Development Lang, Mgr of Fleet & Roads Hefner, Mgr of Municipal Properties Wisser, Asst to the Mgr Hagge, Engineer Driesenga

19 Guests

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4a. City Council Workshop Minutes, April 7, 2025

Moved by Knight, Seconded by Ferguson.

RESOLVED: To approve the City Council Workshop Minutes of April 7, 2025.

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

No: None

Resolution No. 25.04.076

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

4b. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes, April 7, 2025

Moved by Knight, Seconded by Fletcher.

RESOLVED: To approve the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of April 7, 2025.

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

No: None

Resolution No. 25.04.077

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

5. APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

5a. Legislative Update, presented by State Senator Jeremy Moss

Senator Moss provided an overview of the legislation being considered in Lansing and the way that it affects Auburn Hills residents.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Karen Johnson, 1220 Taylor Road, Mr. Randy Hale, 1530 Taylor Road, and Mr. Daniel Hazan, 1570 Taylor Toad, shared their concerns with speeding on Taylor Road.

Chief Gagnon provided an overview of how speed limits were set and the steps that need to be taken to make changes. Due to the fact that it is not a plated subdivision, there are certain parameters that must be abided by.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

7a. Motion – To approve the 2025 Used Car Dealer Licenses.

RESOLVED: To approve the Used Car Lot Licenses for the 2025 licensing period for Blue Compass RV, Newcomb's Auto Service, Oakland Truck and Equipment Sales, Inc., and Summit Place Kia.

7b. Motion – To adopt the resolution authorizing the West Nile Virus Fund Expense Reimbursement request.

RESOLVED: To adopt the resolution, **AUTHORIZING WEST NILE VIRUS FUND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST**, and authorize and direct the City Manager, as agent for the City of Auburn Hills, to request reimbursement of eligible mosquito control activity under Oakland County's West Nile Virus Fund Program. (Attachment A)

7c. Motion – To approve the purchase of a replacement Tandem Axle Dump Truck.

RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of a 2026 tandem axle cab and chassis from Wolverine Freightliner Eastside, Mt. Clemens, Michigan in the not-to-exceed amount of \$132,409.00, and the truck build from Truck & Trailer Specialists, Howell, Michigan in the amount of \$168,540.00 for a total of \$300,949.00.

7d. Motion – To approve the 2025 Painting Services Contract.

RESOLVED: To award the Auburn Hills 2025 Painting Services bid to Z-Painting LLC in the amount of \$30,530.00 for the specified projects, with an hourly rate of \$60.00 per hour.

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Ferguson.

RESOLVED: To approve the Consent Agenda.

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

No: None

Resolution No. 25.04.078

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8a. Motion – To consider renewal of certain hotel licenses.

Ms. Pierce shared an updated status on the compliance of the Baymont Inn, Red Roof Inn, MainStay Suites, and Suburban Studios. It was reported that the Red Roof Inn has come into compliance with the local ordinances. She reported that the Baymont Inn and MainStay Suites have made substantial progress and have no outstanding life safety or health and welfare issues. The only remaining violations the Baymont Inn and MainStay Suites have are related to property maintenance. It was further reported that Suburban Studios has made substantial progress and has no outstanding life safety or health and welfare issue. Due to the extension that was granted to them at the February 17th City Council meeting to address that length of stay violations, Suburban Studios will return at the July 7th meeting to determine approval of their hotel license.

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Ferguson.

RESOLVED: To issue a two-year license to Red Roof Inn, 1294 Opdyke Road to expire on December 31, 2026.

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

No: None

Resolution No. 25.04.079

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Hawkins.

RESOLVED: To issue a conditional one-year license to Baymont Inn, 2100 Featherstone Road to expire on December 31, 2025.

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

No: None

Resolution No. 25.04.080

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Knight.

RESOLVED: To issue a conditional one-year license to MainStay Suites, 1650 Opdyke Road to expire on December 31, 2025.

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

No: None

Resolution No. 25.04.081

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

9. NEW BUSINESS

9a. Motion – To accept the Third and Fourth Quarter 2024 Monitoring Network Review Summaries and 2024 Annual Monitoring Network Review Summary for the Oakland Heights Development Landfill.

This item has been moved to the May 19th City Council agenda.

10. COMMENTS AND MOTIONS FROM COUNCIL

Mr. Knight expressed his sympathy for the passing of Pope Francis.

Ms. Verbeke commented on the road construction projects that will take place this summer on Taylor Road.

Dr. Fletcher expressed her gratitude for the road work on Simmons Road. She shared residential concerns regarding the roads near the Auburn Grove subdivision entrance all the way to Squirrel Road. Mr. Hefner commented that DPW has a maintenance plan in place for asphalt repairs and some maintenance this summer.

Mr. Ferguson shared that he supports whatever can be done to help the Taylor Road issues. He also thanked Chief Massingill for his hard work during the ice storm that hit Northern Michigan.

Mr. Hawkins welcomed Attorney Dan Kelly to Auburn Hills.

Mayor Marzolf also welcomed and wished Attorney Dan Kelly all the best as he represents the City of Auburn Hills. He commented that he appreciated the Bunny Bash which was supported by the DDA.

11. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

Mr. Kelly shared that it is an honor to be the Attorney for Auburn Hills.

12. CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Tanghe shared that two employees celebrated twenty-five years of employment at Auburn Hills; Jon Toss and Mike Strunk. He also took time to congratulate Greg and Stacy Russell on the opening of Chick-fil-A.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Fletcher, Seconded by Ferguson.

RESOLVED: To adjourn the meeting.

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

No: None

Resolution No. 25.04.082

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 PM.

Brian W. Marzolf, Mayor

Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk

ATTACHMENT A

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WEST NILE VIRUS FUND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST

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 21st day of April, 2025. The following resolution was offered by Council Member ____ and seconded by Council Member _____:

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of the Oakland County Executive, the Oakland County Board of Commissioners has established a West Nile Virus Fund Program to assist Oakland County cities, villages and townships in addressing mosquito control activities; and

WHEREAS, Oakland County's West Nile Virus Fund Program authorizes Oakland County cities, villages and townships to apply for reimbursement of eligible expenses incurred in connection with personal mosquito protection measures/activity, mosquito habitat eradication, and mosquito larvicide applications; and

WHEREAS, the City of Auburn Hills, Oakland County, Michigan will incur expenses in connection with mosquito control activities believed to be eligible for reimbursement under Oakland County's West Nile Virus Fund Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Auburn Hills City Council authorizes and directs the City Manager, as agent for the City of Auburn Hills, to request reimbursement of eligible mosquito control activity under Oakland County's West Nile Virus Fund Program

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTIONS:

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
)SS
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 21st day of April, 2025.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature on this ____ day of April , 2025.

Laura Pierce, City Clerk