



# CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

### MINUTES

MAY 5, 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, Director of Recreation & Senior Services Adcock, DPW Director Baldante, Deputy Treasurer Jones, Asst to the Mgr Hagge, Engineer Driesenga

13 Guests

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

4a. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes, April 21, 2025

**Moved by Knight, Seconded by Verbeke.**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of April 21, 2025.

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

**No:** None

**Resolution No. 25.05.083**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

**5. APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Karen Johnson, 1889 Ludgate Lane, thanked City Council for their attention to the concern regarding Taylor Road.

Mr. Jeff Meyer Jr, 1654 Taylor Road, shared his concerns regarding the driving conditions on Taylor Road.

Chief Gagnon explained the measures taken to address the concerns on Taylor Road, which included selected enforcement to reduce speeds, a portable radar trailer and traffic counters to analyze data. Chief Gagnon will look into the weight restrictions for Taylor Road.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

7a. Board and Commission Minutes

7a1. Downtown Development Authority, April 14, 2025

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

7b. Motion – To adopt the 2025 Local Support Emergency Operations Plan to supplement Oakland County's Emergency Operations Plan.

**RESOLVED: To adopt the 2025 Local Support Emergency Operations Plan (EOP), revised from 2021, in support of the Oakland County Emergency Operations Plan.**

7c. Motion – To receive and file the Mariner Consulting 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Cash Management Investment Performance Review.

**RESOLVED: To receive and file the Mariner Consulting 1st quarter Cash Management Investment Performance Review.**

7d. Motion – To amend the 2025 General Fund Seniors Department revenue and appropriation.

**RESOLVED: To amend the 2025 General Fund Senior department budget increasing both revenue and appropriations by \$30,000.**

7e. Motion – To approve State of Michigan Board of County Road Commissioners, Oakland County, Agreement for traffic control devices for installation and maintenance of a traffic signal at N Squirrel Road and Shimmons Road.

**RESOLVED: To approve State of Michigan Board of County Road Commissioners, Oakland County, Agreement for Traffic Control Devices for installation and maintenance of a traffic signal located at N. Squirrel Road and Shimmons Road.**

**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. 25.05.084**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

## **8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8a. Motion – To consider renewal of Suburban Studio’s hotel license.

Ms. Pierce provided an update regarding the length of stay violation and the progress being made at this location.

Mr. Matt Odish, General Manager for Suburban Studio commented on the progress they have made correcting the length of stay violations as well as the interior maintenance items.

**Moved by Ferguson, Seconded by Hawkins.**

**RESOLVED: To issue a conditional one-year license to Suburban Studios, 1180 Doris Road to expire on December 31, 2025.**

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

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 25.05.085**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

9a. Motion – To approve the purchase and installation of two on-site generators for sewage lift stations.

Mr. Baldante presented the need to purchase and install sewage lift stations in the low-lying areas within the City. He commented that the stations are extremely important to the health, vitality and growth of these areas. The projected lifetime expectancy of this equipment is 25-30 years.

**Moved by Ferguson, Seconded by Knight.**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the contract with DES Electric to purchase and install 2 on-site generators for 2 sewage lift stations in the amount of \$261,339.

**VOTE:** Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke  
No: None

**Resolution No. 25.05.086**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

**10. COMMENTS AND MOTIONS FROM COUNCIL**

Mr. Knight shared that there are residential complaints at Juniper Road and Auburn Road regarding the limited visibility looking westbound.

Mr. Ferguson remarked that he appreciated the cleanliness of the parks.

Mr. Hawkins also commented on the cleanliness of the parks and thanked DPW for their hard work at keeping the parks clean.

Mayor Marzolf shared the Memorial Day Parade event details.

**11. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT**

**12. CITY MANAGER REPORT**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Hawkins Seconded by Ferguson.**

**RESOLVED:** To adjourn the meeting.

**VOTE:** Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke  
No: None

**Resolution No. 25.05.087**

**Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM.

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Brian W. Marzolf, Mayor

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Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk