



**CITY OF AUBURN HILLS**  
**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MEETING**

SEPTEMBER 8, 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, and Verbeke

Absent: Council Member McDaniel

Also Present: City Manager Tanghe, Asst City Manager Skopek, City Attorney Kelly, City Clerk Pierce, Police Chief Gagnon, Administrative Officer Milks, DPW Director Baldante, Asst to the Manager Hagge, Engineer Driesenga

6 Guests

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

4a. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes, August 18, 2025

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

**RESOLVED:** To approve the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of August 18, 2025.

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

No: None

**Resolution No. 25.09.134**

**Motion Carried (6 - 0)**

**5. APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

7a. Motion – To amend the 2025 General Fund Capital Improvements Department budget.

**RESOLVED:** To amend the 2025 General Fund Capital Improvements department budget, increasing appropriations by \$483,601.43.

7b. Motion – To authorize a change order to the contract with Rich & Associates for professional services for architectural and engineering design.

**RESOLVED:** To authorize change order number six to the contract for professional services for architectural and engineering design with Rich & Associates in the amount of \$24,800. Furthermore, amend the 2025 General Fund Capital Improvements Department budget to increase appropriations by \$24,800 in support of this change order.

7c. Motion – To approve the purchase and installation of a new detention intercom system.

**RESOLVED:** To approve the purchase and installation of a new detention intercom system from RedGuard Fire & Security, at a cost not to exceed \$38397.48.

7d. Motion – To approve the purchase of ballistic helmets.

**RESOLVED:** To approve the purchase of ballistic helmets from On Duty Gear, at a cost not to exceed \$30,105.00.

7e. Motion – To modify an existing permanent highway easement with the Road Commission of Oakland County as part of the Brown Road Reconstruction Project.

**RESOLVED: To execute the modified easement request with the Road Commission of Oakland County to extend the existing easement as part of the rehabilitation of Brown Road.**

7f. Motion – To authorize participation in the National Opioid Settlements with Sackler/Purdue and Secondary Manufacturers.

**RESOLVED: To authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute and submit the Purdue/Sackler Opioid Settlement Participation Form and to adopt the attached resolution and authorize the City Clerk to certify and file the same. (Attachment A)**

**RESOLVED: To authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute and submit the Secondary Manufacturers Opioid Settlement Participation Form and to adopt the attached resolution and authorize the City Clerk to certify and file the same. (Attachment B)**

**Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Fletcher.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the Consent Agenda.**

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

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 25.09.135**

**Motion Carried (6 - 0)**

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**10. COMMENTS AND MOTIONS FROM COUNCIL**

Mr. Knight provided a report on developments in the downtown area, concerts in the park and commented that it is dark in the amphitheater area and would like to see lights installed.

Dr. Fletcher commented that it is a privilege and an honor to see how things are organized and executed within the City.

Mayor Marzolf stated that he would like to see a gathering with our sister city, City of Rochester Hills, set up for the Fall.

**11. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT**

**12. CITY MANAGER REPORT**

Mr. Tanghe acknowledged the passing of Mr. Paul Landsberg and shared that he was a great soul and served on TIFA in his earlier years.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Fletcher, Seconded by Hawkins.**

**RESOLVED: To adjourn the meeting.**

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

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 25.09.136**

**Motion Carried (6 - 0)**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 PM.

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Brian W. Marzolf, Mayor

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Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk

## **ATTACHMENT A**

**CITY OF AUBURN HILLS  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTRY OF PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT  
IN THE PURDUE/SACKLER NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION OPIATE LITIGATION  
RESOLUTION NO. 25.09.135**

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Auburn Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, held in the Council Chambers at 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills, Michigan 48326, at 7:00 p.m. on the 8th day of September, 2025, the following resolution was offered by Councilperson Verbeke and seconded by Councilperson Fletcher:

**WHEREAS** the People of the State of Michigan and its communities have been harmed by misfeasance, nonfeasance, and malfeasance committed by certain entities within the pharmaceutical industry, which conduct caused, or contributed to the existence of, a public nuisance associated with the opioid public health epidemic; and

**WHEREAS** the City of Auburn Hills is a participant in prior National Opioid Settlements with Allergan; CVS; Distributors National Opioid Settlement; Janssen; Kroger; Teva National Opioid Settlement, Walgreens, and Walmart; and

**WHEREAS** the Sackler family and Purdue Pharma estate has agreed to pay an aggregate of \$6.5 billion in 16 payments over 15 years to fund abatement and prevention strategies associated with the opioid public nuisance; and

**WHEREAS** the State of Michigan has elected to participate in the settlement through an amended State Subdivision Agreement, of which the City is eligible to participate as a non-litigating local government; and

**WHEREAS** the Agreement provides such allocation of settlement funds where fifty (50%) percent of the settlement proceeds to the State of Michigan are allocable to local governments; and

**WHEREAS** participation as a non-litigating government in the Purdue/Sackler settlement requires the City to execute the Subdivision Participation and Release Form.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Auburn Hills City Council authorizes the City Manager, or designee, to opt-in and consent to the terms of the opioid settlement with Purdue/Sackler by executing and submitting the Subdivision Participation and Release Form and such further action as is necessary to receive the settlement funds.

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED** the election, agreement, and authorization in this Resolution are subject to completion of all other necessary actions by the Court and the other parties required to finalize the settlements as described herein.

AYES: 6 (Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Verbeke)

NAYES: None

ABSENT: 1 (McDaniel)

ABSTENTIONS: None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF MICHIGAN )

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COUNTY OF OAKLAND )

I, Laura M. Pierce, the duly qualified and appointed City Clerk of 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025, the original of which is on file in my office.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto affixed my official signature on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk

## **ATTACHMENT B**

**CITY OF AUBURN HILLS  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTRY OF PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT  
IN THE SECONDARY MANUFACTURERS NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION OPIATE LITIGATION  
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**WHEREAS** the Secondary Manufacturers include eight generic opioids producers (Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan National Opioid Settlement, Sun Pharmaceutical, and Zydus) that agreed to pay an amount where Michigan could receive up to \$24.5 million to fund abatement and prevention strategies associated with the opioid public nuisance; and

**WHEREAS** the State of Michigan has elected to participate in the settlement through an amended State Subdivision Agreement, of which the City is eligible to participate as a non-litigating local government; and

**WHEREAS** the Agreement provides such allocation of settlement funds where fifty (50%) percent of the settlement proceeds to the State of Michigan are allocable to local governments; and

**WHEREAS** participation as a non-litigating government in the Secondary Manufacturers settlement requires the City to execute the Subdivision Participation and Release Form.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of Auburn Hills authorizes the City Manager, or designee, to opt-in and consent to the terms of the opioid settlement with Secondary Manufacturers by executing and submitting the Subdivision Participation and Release Form and such further action as is necessary to receive the settlement funds.

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED** the election, agreement, and authorization in this Resolution are subject to completion of all other necessary actions by the Court and the other parties required to finalize the settlements as described herein.

AYES: 6 (Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Verbeke)

NAYES: None

ABSENT: 1 (McDaniel)

ABSTENTIONS: None

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