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Auburn Hills Mourns the Death of Newly Elected Councilman, Greg Ouellette *City Council Will Seek His Replacement*

Auburn Hills, MI.—November 6, 2025—With great sadness, the City of Auburn Hills announced today that Greg Ouellette, who won a seat at Tuesday’s election for City Council, passed away shortly after the polls closed. Mr. Ouellette was a well-known figure in the Auburn Hills community, having served nearly twenty-eight years on the city’s Planning Commission, the last nearly seventeen years as its chairman. “Greg was a well-respected and instrumental leader of the Planning Commission where he helped guide some of the most complex developments in the community,” said City Manager Tom Tanghe. His wife said that it was Greg’s lifelong dream to be a member of the City Council. She was comforted by the knowledge that he was elected by the citizens of Auburn Hills prior to his death on Tuesday evening. “I believe that somehow Greg was able to know that he won that election on Tuesday,” she said.

Steve Cohen, Director of Community Development for the city was shocked by the news. “Greg called me on Friday and told me that he had a really good feeling that he was going to win this time,” Cohen said, referring to previous attempts Ouellette made to be elected to the City Council.

On Monday, November 17, the new City Council will be sworn in, and Greg’s absence will certainly be noticed as a chair at the City Council table remains empty. City Council will recognize Greg for his contributions to the community and will pay tribute to him prior to the start of regular business that night. “Our thoughts and prayers are with the Ouellette family, and we have no doubt how proud they must be that Greg achieved his dream of being elected to City Council,” said Mayor Brian Marzolf.

Soon, the City Council will announce how they plan to move forward with the selection of a new City Councilperson.

About Auburn Hills

The City of Auburn Hills is a distinguished leader in southeast Michigan, known not only for its 22 high-technology parks but also for having world-renowned retail, entertainment, and manufacturing. Home to more than 26,000 residents, it also serves as Michigan’s global business address, with 80 international corporations from 32 countries, including many world and North American headquarters. Auburn Hills’ residents enjoy the amenities of city and suburban living with parks, a revitalized downtown district, and a welcoming city complex with a library and community center. Additionally, the city has three colleges and universities, and Great Lakes Crossing Outlets, one of the state’s largest destination shopping centers, providing a variety of cultural, social and educational opportunities to residents, workers, and visitors. Learn more at auburnhills.org.

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