CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

JUNE 15, 2026

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Hawkins at 7:00 PM.

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

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

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Tanghe, Assistant City Manager Skopek, City Attorney Kelly, City Clerk Pierce, Police Chief Gagon, Fire Chief Robinson, Deputy Fire Chief Strunk, Director of Community Development Cohen, Mgr of Fleet & Roads Hefner, Director of Senior Services Monroy Krieg, Economic Development Mgr Carroll, Asst to the Manager Hagge, Engineer Driesenga

37 Guests

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4a. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes, June 1, 2026

Moved by Knight, Seconded by Moniz.

RESOLVED: To approve the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of June 1, 2026.

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

No: None

Resolution No. 26.06.088 **Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

4b. City Council Workshop Minutes, June 8, 2026

Moved by Knight, Seconded by Moniz.

RESOLVED: To approve the City Council Workshop Minutes of June 8, 2026.

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

No: None

Resolution No. 26.06.089 **Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

5. **APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

5a. Proclamation honoring Dr. Schwarz on the occasion of his retirement as Superintendent of Avondale Schools. (Attachment A)

Mayor Hawkins presented a Proclamation honoring Dr. Schwarz for his years of service to Avondale Schools.

5b. Administration of oath to Firefighter/Paramedic Zachary Puckett.

Chief Robinson introduced Zachary Puckett as the newest Firefighter/Paramedic for the City of Auburn Hills.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dan Carpenter spoke against Flock Safety cameras.

Julianne Bossert spoke in opposition to data centers.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

7a. Board and Commission Minutes

7a1. Planning Commission, June 3, 2026

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

7b. Motion – To execute a Pathway License Agreement with Consumers Energy as part of the Riverwalk Pathway Project.

RESOLVED: To allow the Public Works Director to execute the License Agreement with Consumers Energy as part of the Riverwalk Pathway Project which is a 25-year agreement for the annual sum of $100.00.

7c. Motion – To approve the Resolution and Participation Agreement with the Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information System (CLEMIS) Authority.

RESOLVED: To approve the CLEMIS Authority Agreement Resolution and authorize the City Manager to sign the CLEMIS participation agreement on behalf of the city. (Attachment B)

RESOLVED: To approve the Chief of Police to sign the CLEMIS Authority products and services order form for the Police Department.

RESOLVED: To approve the Fire Chief to sign the CLEMIS Authority products and services order form for the Fire Department.

7d. Motion – To adopt the updated Senior Services Department Fee Schedule.

RESOLVED: To adopt the updated Senior Services Department Fee Schedule, increasing the fee for congregate meals from $3.00 to $4.00 for those over 60 years of age and from $4.00 to $5.00 for those under 60 years of age to offset the fees charged to the City by the Older Persons' Commission.

7e. Motion – To approve the agreement for Traffic Control Devices for Installation and Maintenance of a HAWK Signal Northbound N Squirrel Road North of Cross Creek Parkway.

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 Cross Creek Parkway.

7f. Motion – To approve the MDOT Contract and resolution for the Giddings/Taylor Intersection Improvements.

RESOLVED: To approve the Michigan Department of Transportation Contract and Resolution Authorizing Officials to Sign Contract for Giddings/Taylor Intersection Improvements – Contract No. 26-5239. There will be no contribution from the City for this project. (Attachment C)

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Marzolf.

RESOLVED: To approve the Consent Agenda.

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

No: None

Resolution No. 26.06.090 **Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

9a. Public Hearing/Motion - To adopt the resolution approving the Brownfield Plan for Clean View Properties 8, LLC, in accordance with Public Act 381.

Ms. Carroll presented the Brownfield Plan for the property located at 3909 Auburn Road. She provided an oversight into the project and the financial setting around the development of the property and the Auburn Road corridor.

Mr. Genson, Project Manager, was in attendance.

Mayor Hawkins opened the Public Hearing at 7:31 PM.
Hearing no public comment, the Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 7:31 PM.

Moved by Moniz, Seconded by Knight.

RESOLVED: To accept the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority's recommendation and adopt the attached resolution approving the Brownfield Plan for Clean View Properties 8, LLC, in accordance with Public Act 381. (Attachment D)

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

Resolution No. 26.06.091 **Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

9b. Motion – To approve the Adult Use Marihuana Establishment License renewals.

Mr. Kelly presented the renewals for the four Adult Use Marihuana Establishment licenses.

Moved by Ferguson, Seconded by Fletcher.

RESOLVED: To approve the adult use marihuana establishment license renewals for Epoch Stone, Inc., for 2561 Lapeer Road; Green Stones, Inc., for 2548 Lapeer Road; Peace Stone, Inc., for 1801 N. Opdyke Road; and Attitude Wellness LLC d/b/a Lume Cannabis Co., for 1.6 acres of vacant land, a portion of Tax Identification No. 14-02-100-019.

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

Resolution No. 26.06.092 **Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

9c. Motion - To approve the location transfer application of an Adult Use Marihuana Establishment License.

Mr. Kelly commented that after consultation took place regarding an application of transfer, the location of 1801 Opdyke Road license has been transferred to 4141 Joslyn Road, Suite 300 also known as, 4247 Joslyn Road.

Moved by Ferguson, Seconded by Fletcher.

RESOLVED: To approve the location transfer application of an Adult Use Marihuana Establishment License submitted by Peace Stone, Inc. from 1801 N. Opdyke Road to 4141 Joslyn Road, Suite 300, contingent upon providing proof of insurance (including the policy) within 30 days after approval of the location transfer, and further move to refer the corresponding site-specific Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment to the Auburn Hills Planning Commission for a public hearing and recommendation to the City Council. Approval of the location transfer application shall be contingent upon City Council approval of the corresponding site-specific Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment, the amended Community Benefit Agreement, and the Indemnification Agreement.

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

Resolution No. 26.06.093 **Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

9d. Motion – To amend the Fee Schedule to add a nonrefundable "Adult Use Marihuana Establishment License Transfer Review Fee".

Mr. Kelly presented an amendment to the Fee Schedule to add an Adult Use Marihuana Establishment License Transfer Review Fee.

Moved by Marzolf, Seconded by Ferguson.

RESOLVED: To amend the Fee Schedule to add a nonrefundable "Adult Use Marihuana Establishment License Transfer Review Fee" in the amount of $5,000.00.

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Moniz, Verbeke
No: None
Resolution No. 26.06.094 **Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

9e. Motion - To accept the Planning Commission's findings and grant staff permission to distribute the draft amendment to the Master Land Use Plan.

Mr. Cohen presented the request to authorize distribution of the draft amendments to the neighboring communities for their review.

Moved by Ferguson, Seconded by Moniz.

RESOLVED: To accept the Planning Commission's findings and recommendations concerning the editorial update of the Master Land Use Plan and authorize staff to distribute the draft amendment to the required agencies and stakeholders in accordance with State law.

VOTE: Yes: Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Moniz, Verbeke
No: None
Resolution No. 26.06.095 **Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

9f. Motion - To accept the First Quarter 2026, Fourth Quarter 2025, Third Quarter 2025, and Second Quarter 2025 Monitoring Network Review Summaries, as well as the 2025 Annual Monitoring Network Review Summary for the Oakland Heights Development Landfill.

Mr. Foerg commented on the issue in cell F, secondary collection section and explained that the flow rate is substantially low but is being monitored. The landfill is no longer accepting trash deposits but will continue to be monitored as it moves into full closure.

Council shared their concerns should the cell that is not working properly were to fail more. Mr. Foerg stated that they will continue to monitor the situation and make sure that no contaminants get out of the landfill system and into the environment.

Rob Moore with Oakland Heights Development commented that they have been working on correcting the problem and pinpoint where the concern is coming from.

Mr. Tanghe stated that Republic has a 30-year obligation, from closure, to maintain and monitor the property. The anticipated closure date is by the end of the year.

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Ferguson.

RESOLVED: To accept the First Quarter 2026, Fourth Quarter 2025, Third Quarter 2025, and Second Quarter 2025 Monitoring Network Review Summaries, as well as the 2025 Annual Monitoring Network Review Summary for the Oakland Heights Development Landfill.

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

Resolution No. 26.06.096 **Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

10. COMMENTS AND MOTIONS FROM COUNCIL

Mr. Knight shared that progress is being made on the apartments at the end of North Squirrel Road.

Mr. Moniz brought attention to the condition of the property at 2561 Lapeer Road and would like someone from Community Development to look into it.

Ms. Verbeke questioned the rain date communication should the drone show be canceled. Mr. Tanghe stated that any communication would come through social media.

Dr. Fletcher sought clarification of the condition of the Five Points apartment development. Mr. Cohen shared that the development company plans to start working on the foundation within the next 30 days.

Mr. Ferguson shared that residents in the Bloomfield Orchards are happy with the improvements taking place.

Mr. Marzolf commented on the report from the Planning Commission. He thanked them for all the work taking place.

Mayor Hawkins and other Councilmembers commented on the upcoming drone show. Mayor Hawkins also commented on the Amazon drone operations.

11. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

12. CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Tanghe shared details on the drone show taking place on Thursday.

13. CLOSED SESSION

<u>13b. Motion – To meet in closed session to discuss a confidential legal update regarding pending litigation pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(e) of the Open Meetings Act.</u>

Moved by Ferguson, Seconded by Moniz.

RESOLVED: To meet in closed session to discuss a confidential legal update regarding pending litigation pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(e) of the Open Meetings Act.

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

Resolution No. 26.06.097 **Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

<u>13a. Motion – To meet in closed session to discuss property acquisition pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(d) of the Open Meetings Act.</u>

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Ferguson.

RESOLVED: To meet in closed session to discuss property acquisition pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(d) of the Open Meetings Act.

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

Resolution No. 26.06.098 **Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

The meeting was recessed to Closed Session at 8:18 PM.
The meeting was reconvened in Open Session at 10:01 PM.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Fletcher.

RESOLVED: To adjourn the meeting.

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

Resolution No. 26.06.099 **Motion Carried (7 - 0)**

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 PM.

Eugene Hawkins III, Mayor

Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk

AUBURN HILLS

ATTACHMENT A

PROCLAMATION

PROCLAMATION HONORING DR. JAMES SCHWARZ ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AS SUPERINTENDENT OF AVONDALE SCHOOLS

WHEREAS, Dr. Schwarz has dedicated the last 35 years to the advancement of public education and the success of the students, families, educators, and staff of the Avondale School District; and

WHEREAS, throughout his twelve years of distinguished service as Superintendent of Avondale Schools, Dr. Schwarz demonstrated exceptional leadership, integrity, vision, and unwavering commitment to academic excellence and student achievement; and

WHEREAS, under Dr. Schwarz's guidance, Avondale Schools strengthened educational opportunities, fostered innovation, promoted community engagement, and cultivated an environment in which students and educators could thrive; and

WHEREAS, under his leadership, Avondale Schools has fostered meaningful partnerships with higher education institutions and community organizations, creating enriching experiences that connect classroom learning with the real world; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Schwarz earned the admiration and respect of colleagues, parents, students, and community members through his professionalism, compassion, and steadfast dedication; and

WHEREAS, his leadership leaves a lasting legacy that will continue to benefit future generations of students and families within the Avondale community; and

WHEREAS, after years of distinguished service, Dr. Schwarz now begins a well-earned retirement marked by gratitude for his accomplishments and appreciation for his enduring impact.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Auburn Hills City Council hereby recognizes and honors Dr. James Schwarz for his outstanding service as Superintendent of Avondale Schools and extends our deepest appreciation and best wishes for good health, much happiness, and continued success in his retirement.

Eugene Hawkins, III, Mayor
June 15, 2026

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ATTACHMENT B

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 PM, on the 15th day of June, 2026. The following resolution was offered by Council Member Verbeke and seconded by Council Member Marzolf:

RESOLUTION
Participation in CLEMIS Authority Interlocal Agreement

The City of Auburn Hills (the "Public Agency"), is a "public agency" as that term is defined under section 2(e) of the Urban Cooperation Act of 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, as amended, MCL 124.502(e).

Under section 28 of article 7 of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 and the Urban Cooperation Act of 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, as amended, MCL 124.501 to 124.512 ("Act 7"), a public agency may exercise jointly with any other public agency any power, privilege, or authority that the public agencies share in common and that each might exercise separately.

The Public Agency possesses the powers, privileges, and authorities to perform various activities relating to courts and law enforcement management information systems.

The Public Agency wants to exercise powers, privileges, and authorities jointly with Oakland County, the Charter Township of Bloomfield, the Charter Township of White Lake, and other participating public agencies under an interlocal agreement creating the Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information System (CLEMIS) Authority (the "CLEMIS Interlocal Agreement") and become a participating public agency under and party to the CLEMIS Interlocal Agreement.

The Public Agency also wants to use the services of the CLEMIS System operated by the Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information System (CLEMIS) Authority (the "Authority") by entering into a services agreement with the Authority.

The City Council of the Public Agency therefore resolves as follows:

- that the interlocal agreement between Oakland County, the Charter Township of Bloomfield, the Charter Township of White Lake, and other participating public agencies creating the CLEMIS Interlocal Agreement is hereby approved;
- that the Public Agency is hereby authorized to enter into a participation agreement with the Authority to enter into and become a party to the CLEMIS Interlocal Agreement;
- that the Public Agency is hereby authorized to enter into the CLEMIS Main Services Agreement (the "CLEMIS MSA") between the Public Agency and the Authority;
- that the City Manager of the Public Agency is hereby authorized and directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Authority and execute the participation agreement for the CLEMIS Interlocal Agreement and the CLEMIS MSA on behalf of the Public Agency; and

- that the City Manager of the Public Agency is hereby authorized and directed to file a copy of the participation agreement for the CLEMIS Interlocal Agreement, including the CLEMIS Interlocal Agreement, on behalf of the Public Agency with the clerk of each county in which the Public Agency is located.

AYES: 7 (Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Moniz, Verbeke)
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTENTIONS: None RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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 15th day of June, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature on this ____ day of June, 2026.

Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk

ATTACHMENT C

Resolution

Be it resolved that

CONTRACT No. 26-5239, Control Section EDA 63000, Job Numbers 226961CON

With Location Giddings/Taylor

By and between the

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

and the

CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

is hereby accepted.

The following Officials are authorized to sign the said contract:

Thomas A. Tanghe, City Manager

Stephen Baldante, DPW Director

Moved by: Council Member Verbeke

Seconded by: Council Member Marzolf

AYES: 7 (Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Moniz, Verbeke)
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTENTIONS: None RESOLUTION ADOPTED

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution made and adopted at a regular meeting of the Auburn Hills City Council, on the FIFTEENTH DAY of JUNE 2026.

Laura Pierce, City Clerk, City of Auburn Hills

ATTACHMENT D

CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

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RESOLUTION APPROVING A BROWNFIELD PLAN FOR CLEAN VIEW PROPERTIES 8, LLC, PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 381 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN OF 1996, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") of the City of Auburn Hills, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, being Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996, as amended (the "Act"), has prepared and recommended for approval by the City Council, a Brownfield Plan (the "Plan") pursuant to and in accordance with Section 13 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has, at least ten (10) days before the meeting of the City Council at which this resolution has been considered, provided notice to and fully informed all taxing jurisdictions (the "Taxing Jurisdictions") which are affected by the Plan about the fiscal and economic implications of the proposed Plan, and the City Council has previously provided to the Taxing Jurisdictions a reasonable opportunity to express their views and recommendations regarding the Financing Plan and in accordance with Sections 13(13) and 14(1) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has made the following determinations and findings:

A. The Plan constitutes a public purpose under the Act;

B. The Plan meets all of the requirements for a Brownfield Plan set forth in Section 13 of the Act;

C. The proposed method of financing the costs of the eligible activities, as described in the Plan, is feasible and the Authority has the ability to arrange the financing;

D. The costs of the eligible activities proposed in the Plan are reasonable and necessary to carry out the purposes of the Act;

E. The amount of captured taxable value estimated to result from the adoption of the Plan is reasonable; and

WHEREAS, as a result of its review of the Plan and upon consideration of the views and recommendations of the Taxing Jurisdictions, the City Council desires to proceed with approval of the Brownfield Plan for Clean View Properties 8, LLC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Plan approved. Pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by the Act, and pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of the Act, the Plan is hereby approved in the form attached as Exhibit "A" to this resolution.
2. Severability. Should any section, clause, or phrase of this Resolution be declared by the Courts to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this Resolution as a whole, nor any part thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid.
3. Repeals. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with any of the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed:

AYES:	7 (Ferguson, Fletcher, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Moniz, Verbeke)
NAYES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED
Resolution #26.06.091

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF OAKLAND

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Auburn Hills, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held on the 15th day of June, 2026, the original of which resolution is on file in my office.

IT WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my official signature, this ____ day of June, 2026.

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Laura M. Pierce
City Clerk