

MINUTES
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 8, 2019 – 7:30 PM
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBER

The regular meeting of the Farmington Hills City Council was called to order by Mayor Massey at 7:31 p.m.

Council Members Present: Bridges, Knol, Lerner, Massey, Rich and Steckloff

Council Members Absent: Bruce

Others Present: City Manager Boyer, Deputy City Clerk Lindahl, Assistant City Manager Mekjian, Director Barr, and City Attorney Joppich

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Irvin Moyna, Emergency Preparedness Commission member, led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Rich, support by Steckloff, to approve the agenda as published.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMISSION TIP OF THE MONTH

The following Tip of the Month was read by Irvin Moyna, EPC member:

**CITY OF FARMINGTON and FARMINGTON HILLS
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMISSION
Tip of the Month**

Goal for April:

Create an emergency food supply that will meet the needs of your household including pets, for three days that doesn't require assistance.

You don't have to keep just dry goods on a shelf in the basement, ready for an emergency to strike (although it can). It can be part of the food you use every day. A good food storage plan is the key, buy ahead of time. Replace items before they run out. Buy items when they are on sale. A large duffel bag or plastic tub with a lid makes a great storage place for an emergency food supply.

Balance: You should buy a balanced diet that is appropriate for your household, taking into consideration any dietary/medical concerns for a person. Your storage should contain a variety of foods from the basic food groups that can be stored without refrigeration.

Usability: Ideal choices for food are items that don't require heating, cooling or a lot of water. Examples can include canned or dried meat, dry cereal, canned vegetables, and ready to eat meals. If using canned goods, or things that require heating, make sure you have to appropriate equipment. (Can opener, heating element)

Shelf Life: Consider the expiration date on the food item. Attempt to get items with longer shelf lives. A good rule of thumb is to mark the date the first item expires on the storage area.

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING APRIL 2019 AS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH

The following Proclamation was read by Councilmember Rich:

**PROCLAMATION
Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month
April 2019**

- WHEREAS,** abuse and neglect are suffered by children regardless of age, race, gender or economic situation; and
- WHEREAS,** one in 10 children will be sexually abused before the age of 18; and
- WHEREAS,** this reported maltreatment is only a portion of the overall problem threatening our children, since many cases go unreported, and today's technology has brought with it the online predator, a new and threatening form of child endangerment; and
- WHEREAS,** the devastating consequences of physical and emotional abuse of our children affects the entire community, and finding solutions needs to be a concern of the community as a whole; and
- WHEREAS,** *CARE House of Oakland County* works to break the cycle of child abuse and neglect, provides a protective circle of light and hope for a better life, advocates for the safety and protection of children, and partners with community organizations and agencies to offer programs and services aimed at preventing child abuse.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Ken Massey, Mayor of the City of Farmington Hills, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim April 2019 as **Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month** in Farmington Hills and call upon citizens, community agencies, organizations, and businesses to increase participation in efforts to prevent child abuse, thereby strengthening our community and protecting the children who live here.

Mayor Massey mentioned that CARE House has partnered with Farmington Youth Assistance to place pinwheel gardens at various locations throughout the City as a physical sign reminding us that April is Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness Month.

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING APRIL 14-20, 2019 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK

The following Proclamation was read by Councilmember Lerner and accepted by Dispatch Coordinator Donna Reid:

PROCLAMATION
National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week
April 14 – 20, 2019

- WHEREAS,** emergencies require the prompt response of police, fire or emergency medical services, which are critical to the protection of life and the preservation of property; and
- WHEREAS,** the safety of our police officers, firefighters, and paramedics is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who contact communications centers; and
- WHEREAS,** our City’s public safety telecommunicators are the first and most critical contacts that citizens have with emergency services; and
- WHEREAS,** public safety telecommunicators provide a vital link for police officers, firefighters, and paramedics by monitoring their activities via radio and providing them with essential information to ensure their safety; and
- WHEREAS,** public safety telecommunicators in the City of Farmington Hills have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires, and prompt treatment of patients; and
- WHEREAS,** each dedicated public safety telecommunicator exhibits compassion, understanding, and professionalism during the performance of their duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Ken Massey, Mayor of the City of Farmington Hills, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of April 14 – 20, 2019 as **National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week** in Farmington Hills and call upon our citizens to recognize the important role that these professionals play as they assist others in their time of need and maintain the safety of all members of our community.

Dispatch Coordinator Reid thanked Council, the City and the Police Department for the recognition to dispatchers.

Police Commander Piggott added that they appreciate the Proclamation as it is a great recognition for dispatch.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence acknowledged.

OAKLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONER UPDATE

Oakland County Commissioner Marcia Gershenson provided an update on:

- Measles outbreak in Oakland County.
- Marshmallow Drop on April 19th at 10am at Warden Park in Royal Oak.
- Free suicide prevention workshop on April 23rd at 1:30pm at the Oakland County Executive Building.
- Human Trafficking Town Hall meeting on April 11th at 6:30pm at the Novi Civic Center.

- In June, the Oakland County Commissioners will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote in the state of Michigan.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Lerner, support by Knol, to approve Consent Agenda as read.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BRIDGES, KNOL, LERNER, MASSEY, RICH AND STECKLOFF
Nays: NONE
Absent: BRUCE
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Joseph Odish, Fulton Ct., spoke regarding an email he previously sent to Council and staff.

Attorney Joppich stated that his office would look into the matter and follow-up.

COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following comments/announcements were made:

- The Human Trafficking Town Hall meeting April 11th at the Novi Civic Center at 6:30pm
- Community Forum Meetings hosted by the Mayor are scheduled for April 23rd at Fire Station #1, April 24th at Fire Station #2, May 1st at Fire Station #4 and May 2nd at Fire Station #3. All meetings begin at 6pm.

CITY MANAGER UPDATE

City Manager Boyer provided the following update:

- Yard waste pick-up begins this week
- Police Department is working with the DEA for a Drug Take Back Day which will be held on April 27th from 10am - 2pm at the Police Department.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD) AGREEMENT FOR 31015 GRAND RIVER AVENUE (PUD 2, 2018).

City Planner Stec presented to Council the PUD agreement for the redevelopment of the previous AJ DanBoise site as a property restoration company and self-storage facility. He noted that on January 14, 2019 the PUD concept plan was approved by Council and if the PUD agreement is approved this evening, the proponent will return back to the Planning Commission for final site plan approval.

Attorney Joppich mentioned that his office has worked with the proponent to prepare the agreement and he feels it meets the requirements of the City and provides the conditions Council established when they last reviewed this project.

MOTION by Bridges, support by Knol, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the Planned Unit Development (PUD) 2, 2018 Agreement for 31015 Grand River Avenue.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AWARD OF BID FOR AUDITING SERVICES TO YEO & YEO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$90,000; WITH POSSIBLE EXTENSIONS. CMR 4-19-43

MOTION by Lerner, support by Knol, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager to sign an agreement with Yeo & Yeo for Auditing Services in the amount of \$90,000 beginning with the 2018/19 audit; with possible extensions.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BRIDGES, KNOL, LERNER, MASSEY, RICH AND STECKLOFF
Nays: NONE
Absent: BRUCE
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE JOINT STUDY SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 25, 2019.

MOTION by Lerner, support by Knol, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the joint study session meeting minutes of March 25, 2019, as submitted.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BRIDGES, KNOL, LERNER, MASSEY, RICH AND STECKLOFF
Nays: NONE
Absent: BRUCE
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 25, 2019.

MOTION by Lerner, support by Knol, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the regular meeting minutes of March 25, 2019, as submitted.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BRIDGES, KNOL, LERNER, MASSEY, RICH AND STECKLOFF
Nays: NONE
Absent: BRUCE
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

The City Attorney's report was received by Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Massey adjourned the regular City Council meeting at 8:04pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela B. Smith, City Clerk