

**MEETING MINUTES
 COMMITTEE TO INCREASE VOTER PARTICIPATION
 CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
 AUGUST 23 – 5:30PM
 CITY HALL – FOUNTAIN VIEW ROOM
 31555 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD, FARMINGTON HILLS MI**

CALLED TO ORDER BY: Chair Kendzierski at 5:40pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Christoph, Greening, Hubbard, Jackson, Kendzierski and Pitchford

MEMBERS ABSENT: Haynes, and Seelye

OTHERS PRESENT: City Clerk Smith and Council Member Liaison Lerner

#	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION SUMMARY/PERTINENT INFO	FORMAL MOTIONS:
3	APPROVAL OF AGENDA August 23, 2016		MOTION BY: HUBBARD SUPPORT BY: JACKSON To approve the agenda as published. MOTION CARRIED: UNANIMOUSLY
4	APPROVAL OF MINUTES May 24, 2016	No Changes	MOTION BY: JACKSON SUPPORT BY: HUBBARD To approve the May 24, 2016 minutes as submitted. MOTION CARRIED: UNANIMOUSLY
5	AGENDA ITEM: NEW BUSINESS	<p>a. Election Results City Clerk Smith distributed Election Results for the committee’s review and noted that there is a link on the city’s website to results. Her office continues to prepare a spreadsheet from past Election results.</p> <p>b. Selfie Stations at polling locations Clerk Smith explained a City Council member had suggested selfie stations at polling locations for voters.</p> <p>Council Member Lerner stated that he was not in favor of the idea but felt if this was something the Committee wanted to take on, that it should be the work of the committee and not that of the Clerk’s Office.</p> <p>Clerk Smith added that she would be involved to the point of where the selfie stations would be located at each location but would be looking to the committee members to develop the signs, put them up and remove them after the Election.</p>	

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		<p>Member Hubbard felt this was a good idea and that this is a tool that many young voters would use and that he feels it would encourage others to come out and vote and do the same.</p> <p>Member Christoph stated that if this is something the Committee agreed to do, she felt that the Committee should get recognition.</p> <p>Notifying the paper, etc was suggested to publicize the efforts if the committee agreed to move forward.</p> <p>Discussion was held on the wording of the signs, location, use of social media, budget for supplies, etc.</p> <p>Member Greening volunteered to develop a prototype sign and indicated that she had a lot of supplies to create the signs.</p> <p>Clerk Smith indicated that the Mayors Youth Council may be willing to help out as well.</p> <p>Council member Lerner suggested that any sign to be used is approved by the Clerk.</p> <p>It was agreed that Member Greening would develop a prototype of a sign and send that to the Chair and Clerk Smith and develop some type of plan for the committee to vote on at their next meeting.</p> <p>c. November Election Clerk Smith mentioned the upcoming Election date and the need to get information out on this Election.</p>	
6	<p>AGENDA ITEM: OLD BUSINESS</p>	<p>a. Status of legislation on Elimination of Straight Party Ticket. Clerk Smith updated the committee on the status of this law noting that noted that as of today, the issue is still undecided. The district court had issued a temporary injunction on the law to allow for straight party voting on the November 8, 2016 ballot. The Attorney General and Secretary of State have appealed that decision.</p>	
7	<p>MY VOTE COUNTS</p>	<p>a. General Election Info-Dates and Deadlines b. Absentee voting Clerk Smith noted that the above are two topics for future shows. She stated that the video division was not fully up and running to tape shows at this time but should be by early September.</p>	<p>MOTION BY: SUPPORT BY: MOTION CARRIED:</p>

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		<p>Chair Kendzierski suggested the Regional Transportation Authority Proposal as another topic for the show.</p> <p>Clerk Smith stated that she would get some dates and times for when the studio will be available.</p>	
8	<p>AGENDA ITEM: COHA</p>	<p>It was noted that September 27th was the Candidate's Forum to be held by COHA at City Hall in the Council Chamber.</p> <p>Chair Kendzierski stated that Vicki Barnett and L. Brooks Patterson were invited to attend the debate.</p> <p>It was noted that this was the same night as the next scheduled Committee meeting. Chair Kendzierski felt there would be time to get the meeting in before the COHA event started.</p>	
9	<p>PUBLIC COMMENTS</p>	<p>There were no public comments</p>	
	<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.</p>	<p>MOTION BY: HUBBARD SUPPORT BY: JACKSON To adjourn the meeting at 6:40pm</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED: UNANIMOUSLY</p>
	<p>MINUTES PREPARED BY</p>	<p>Pam Smith, City Clerk</p>	