

**MEETING MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
JANUARY 27, 2014 – 7:30 PM
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBER**

The regular meeting of the Farmington Hills City Council was called to order by Mayor Brickner at 7:30 p.m.

Council Members Present: Brickner, Bridges, Bruce, Knol, Lerner, Massey, and Steckloff

Council Members Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Brock, City Clerk Smith, Assistant Manager Boyer, Directors Gardiner, Gajda, Lasley, Mekjian, and Schnackel Chief Nebus, and Chief Bartsch, City Attorney Schultz, and Planning Consultant Arroyo

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

“Firefighter of the Year” Matt Green and “Police Officer of the Year” Perry Edgell led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING EMPLOYEES FOR 2013 AND THE POLICE AND FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR

Fire Chief Bartsch announced the Matt Green has been selected as “Firefighter of the Year”. Matt was hired as a paid-on-call firefighter in 1998 and is currently serving as paid-on-call Captain at Station No. 3 and has been fulfilling the responsibilities of District Chief with the recent retirement of District Chief Rebtoy. This evening Matt Green was notified that he was being promoted to District Chief. Chief Bartsch spoke of Matt Green’s service to the Department and his many accomplishments and awards including 9 Life Saving awards, 4 Chain of Survivals, 7 Unit Citations, 4 Certificates of Appreciation and numerous letters from citizens and other employees.

Matt Green thanked Mayor and Council for their support of the Fire Department and he thanked Chief Bartsch for the opportunity to serve the citizens of Farmington Hills. He also thanked his wife and children who support him every time a call comes through for help.

Police Chief Nebus stated that it is his honor to announce that Perry Edgell the 2013 “Police Officer of the Year”. He started with the City of Farmington Hills almost one year ago and since that time he has done a tremendous job. Chief Nebus spoke of a couple of incidents in which Officer Edgell was responsible for saving lives. He noted that he is the first Officer to be nominated as “Officer of the Year” while still on probation.

Officer Edgell thanked Mayor, Council, Chief Nebus and his co-workers. He stated that he appreciates the opportunity to serve the City of Farmington Hills with the Police Department.

Mayor Brickner thanked the Police Department and the Fire Department for the work they do and keeping the community safe.

Special Services Director Schnackel announced that Debra Schager, Secretary to the Director of Special Services, was nominated as “Employee of the Year”. She has been with the city since 2001 and started as a Clerk Typist.

Debra Schager thanked City Council and staff for the acknowledgement.

Mayor Brickner announced that the following employees received 2013 Outstanding Employee Awards:

Charmaine Kettler-Schmult, Community Development special Projects Coordinator, Planning and Community Development
Judy Laidlaw, Secretary to the Director, Fire Department
Shu-Fen Lin, controller, Finance Department
Kelly Monico, Senior Purchaser, Central Services Department
Mark Sadsewski, Traffic Engineer, Public Services Department
Gail Stith, Secretary to the City Manager, City Manager’s Office

COMMISSION FOR ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY “TIP OF THE MONTH”

CEES Tip of the Month
January 27, 2014
Read by Randy Bruce

Polar vortex or just damn cold – however you choose to describe our winter weather this year, one thing is for sure – your wallet is just about the only thing not frozen. Winter is generally hard on a home’s energy usage, but this year has been brutal. It’s tempting to crank up the furnace, but it’s a better idea to try to identify the root causes of your home’s comfort issues and high energy usage.

Did you know that energy use in Michigan households is 38% higher than the national average? This is largely due to our aging housing stock that was built when energy was a much smaller piece of the home budget.

To help combat this “Home Energy Crisis,” Michigan Saves, a nonprofit dedicated to making energy improvements easier for all Michigan energy consumers, has launched the “Avoid Energy Drama” campaign. Part of this campaign includes a \$99 home energy audit, which normally costs anywhere from \$300 to \$500. This is a great opportunity to learn about the energy and comfort dynamics in your home, and also to find out how to combat your home’s deficiencies and get cost estimates for recommended improvements. There are great contractors right here in our area that are participating in this program.

Stop letting Old Man Winter push you around, go to www.avoidenergydrama.com for more information.

For more green tips, please visit www.sustainablefh.com.

CORRESPONDENCE

City Manager Brock received a letter of complaint regarding the Observer newspaper and has forwarded that to the newspaper for response.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, to approve the Consent Agenda as published.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

NONE

COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements were made:

- New restaurant opening - Freakin Unbelievable Burgers on Orchard Lake Road
- Last weeks Red Cross Blood Drive was the Annual Battle of the Badges - 57 donors participated
- Costick Activity Center will be open as a warming center for Tuesday, January 28th and Wednesday, January 29th.

CITY MANAGER UPDATE

City Manager Brock provided the following update:

- City Council held their Annual Goals session on January 25, 2014.
- Snow and ice removal continues by the Department of Public Works
- Monday, February 3, 2014 in the Farmington Hills Council Chambers the Center for Michigan will be hosting an Input Session and invited everyone who is interested to come and participate it will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD 1, 2013) AGREEMENT FOR THE ORCHARD 12 PLAZA

Planning and Community Development Director Gardiner stated that on November 25, 2013 City Council approved a Planned Unit Development (PUD) for the redevelopment of the Orchard 12 Plaza located on the northwest corner of 12 Mile and Orchard Lake Road. As a part of that approval the City Council directed the City Attorney to prepare a PUD Agreement for future Council consideration, which would stipulate the development conditions. The City Attorney along with the attorney for the developer has submitted this agreement for Council's consideration and approval. The proponent has also submitted a site plan for the redevelopment to the Planning Commission for their next meeting if City Council approves this PUD agreement.

Councilmember Lerner stated that it is his understanding that the restaurant that was planned to go into this development is now in bankruptcy.

Director Gardiner stated that this was also his understanding and that the developer is looking for a new tenant for that building.

There was discussion regarding traffic in the area and the potential for a traffic light to be installed at this location.

MOTION by Massey, support by Bruce, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the Planned Unit Development (PUD) 1, 2013 agreement for the Orchard 12 Plaza.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BRICKNER, BRIDGES, BRUCE, KNOL, LERNER, MASSEY AND STECKLOFF
Nays: NONE

Absent: NONE
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

MOTION by Lerner, support by Bridges, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby confirms the Mayor's recommendation to reappoint/appoint the following individuals to various City Boards and Commissions:

	<u>Length of Term</u>	<u>Term Expiration Date</u>
<u>Brownfield Redevelopment Authority</u>		
Tom Wilkinson	3 years	2/1/2017
<u>Commission for Energy and Environmental Sustainability</u>		
Mark VanEtten	3 years	2/1/2017
Acacia Williams	3 years	2/1/2017
Leon Zolkower	3 years	2/1/2017
<u>Commission on Children, Youth & Families</u>		
William Dwyer	3 years	2/1/2017
Diane Hague	3 years	2/1/2017
Anthony Lewis	3 years	2/1/2017
<u>Committee to Increase Voter Participation</u>		
Deb Kendzierski	3 years	2/1/2017
Elizabeth Merrill	3 years	2/1/2017
<u>Corridor Improvement Authority</u>		
Spencer Brown	3 years	2/1/2017
Jasdeep Mann	3 years	2/1/2017
<u>Economic Development Corporation</u>		
Scott Elliott	6 years	8/13/2020
<u>Emergency Preparedness Commission</u>		
Alyson Rich – Mayor's Youth Council Rep	1 year	9/1/2014
Robert York	3 years	2/1/2017
<u>Farmington Area Arts Commission</u>		
Celeste McDermott	3 years	2/1/2017
<u>Farmington Area Commission on Aging</u>		
Mary Buchan	3 years	2/1/2017
Kevin Hammer	3 years	2/1/2017
Rolland Walt	3 years	2/1/2017
<u>Farmington Community Library Board of Trustees</u>		
Bruce Lazar	4 years	2/1/2018

Historic District Commission

Joan Barber	3 years	2/1/2017
Don Millington	3 years	2/1/2017

Historical Commission

Lee Cox	3 years	2/1/2017
Sherrie Stewart	3 years	2/1/2017

Millennial Mayor's Congress

Adam Dailide	1 year	2/1/2015
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Parks and Recreation Commission

Judy Antishin	3 years	2/1/2017
Sean Barrett	3 years	2/1/2017
Steve Stimson	3 years	2/1/2017

Planning Commission

Paul Blizman	3 years	2/1/2017
Christopher McRae	3 years	2/1/2017
Steven Schwartz	3 years	2/1/2017

Public Access Promotion Committee

Pauline Navoy	2 years	2/1/2016
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Single Family Residential Review Board

Andrew Haliw	3 years	2/1/2017
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Zoning Board of Appeals

Erik Lindquist	3 years	2/1/2017
Brian Rich	3 years	2/1/2017
Chandra Paramesh-reappoint to James Stevens Alternate Position		2/1/2016
James Stevens-reappoint to Chandra Paramesh's Regular Position		2/1/2015
Azam Masood-Alternate Position	3 years	2/1/2017

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AMENDMENET TO THE CONTRACT FOR CITY PLANNING CONSULTANTS, CLEARZONING, TO REVISE THE FEE SCHEDULE CMR 1-14-9

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the amended Fee Schedule submitted by City Planning Consultant, Clearzoning, and authorizes the City Manager or his designee to execute the same on behalf of the City effective January 27, 2014.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF A REVISED FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CMR 1-14-10

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the attached Department of Planning and Community Development Fee Schedule and authorizes the City Manager or his designee to execute the same on behalf of the City effective January 27, 2014.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE ZEMPLAR CLUB OF FARMINGTON AND FARMINGTON HILLS AS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION IN THE COMMUNITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING A CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSE

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming Licenses Issued by the Bureau of State Lottery, recognizing the Xemplar Club of Farmington and Farmington Hills as a non-profit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining a Charitable Gaming License.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AWARD OF BID FOR A POLE-MOUNTED INSPECTION CAMERA TO BELL EQUIPMENT COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,650.00 CMR 1-14-11

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager to approve a purchase order with Bell Equipment Company of Lake Orion, Michigan, in the amount of \$17,650 for the purchase of an Envirosight Pole-Mounted Inspection Camera.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BRICKNER, BRIDGES, BRUCE, KNOL, LERNER, MASSEY AND STECKLOFF
Nays: NONE

Absent: NONE
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AWARD OF PROPOSAL FOR A FIRE DEPARTMENT
MEDIC TO MERCY SALES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$152,428.00 CMR 1-14-12**

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager to issue a purchase order for one (1) Fire Medic to Mercy Sales (representing Marque Commando) in the amount of \$152,428.00.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AWARD OF BID FOR FIRE FIGHTER PROTECTIVE
EQUIPMENT TO FIRE EQUIPMENT ASSOCIATES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,950.00 AND
FIRST DUE SAFETY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$57,712.50 CMR1-14-13**

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager to issue the following purchase orders:

1. Fire Equipment Associates for \$17,950.00 for 150 Dragon Fire Alpha X Gloves @ \$58 per pair and for 50 Cairns Invader 664 Helmets @ \$185.00 each
2. First Due Safety for \$57,712.50 for 150 Globe Superlite Boots @ \$349.00 per pair and for 150 Lifeline Hoods @ \$35.75 each

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AWARD OF BID FOR SURFACE MATERIALS FOR DPW
ROAD MAINTENANCE AND PARKS AND GOLF MAINTENANCE TO VARIOUS SUPPLIERS
CMR 1-14-14**

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager to approve purchase orders to the following suppliers:

<u>Supplies:</u>	<u>Company:</u>	<u>Total Bid:</u>
Aggregate (Roads)	Ellsworth Industries Plymouth, MI	\$68,325
Asphalt (hot mix) -Primary	Nagle Paving Novi, MI	\$22,275

Asphalt (hot mix) -Secondary	Cadillac Asphalt Canton, MI	\$7,600
Cold Patch	Ajax Materials Troy, MI	\$53,558
Parks & Golf Maintenance Supplies	Ellsworth Industries Plymouth, MI	\$42,835

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF QUARTERLY INVESTMENT AND FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR OCTOBER – DECEMBER 2013

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby acknowledges the City's quarterly investment and financial reports for October – December 2013, as submitted.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 13, 2014

MOTION by Massey, support Bridges, that the City Council of the City of Farmington Hills hereby approves the City Council Study Session meeting minutes of January 13, 2014.

Roll Call Vote

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 13, 2014

MOTION by Massey, support Bridges, that the City Council of the City of Farmington Hills hereby approves the City Council Regular meeting minutes of January 13, 2014.

Roll Call Vote

Yeas: BRICKNER, BRIDGES, BRUCE, KNOL, LERNER, MASSEY AND STECKLOFF
Nays: NONE

Absent: NONE
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

TOPICS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Brickner mentioned potential topics for the next regular City Council meeting of February 10, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Brickner adjourned the regular City Council meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela B. Smith, City Clerk

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