

MEETING MINUTES
COMMITTEE TO INCREASE VOTER PARTICIPATION
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
NOVEMBER 28, 2017 – 5:30PM
CITY HALL – FOUNTAIN VIEW ROOM
31555 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD, FARMINGTON HILLS MI

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chair Kendzierski at 5:30pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Christoph, Haynes, Hubbard, Kendzierski, Pitchford and Seelye

MEMBERS ABSENT: Greening

OTHERS PRESENT: Pam Smith, City Clerk/Staff Liaison and Richard Lerner, City Council Liaison

Clerk Smith introduced Aimee Ergas who has expressed interest in serving on the Committee and was present this evening to observe the meeting. The Committee welcomed Aimee to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Clerk Smith suggested moving consideration of the by-laws up as the first item on the agenda since Chair Kendzierski had to leave the meeting early.

MOTION by Pitchford, support by Kendzierski, to approve the agenda as amended.
Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION by Hubbard, support by Christoph, to approve the minutes as submitted.
Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Consideration of adoption of by-laws

Clerk Smith reviewed the by-laws with the Committee noting the changes due to the new Boards and Commission ordinance recently passed by City Council.

One change was suggested to add wording (in green) that the Committee's purpose is "To stimulate and improve voter participation in all *Farmington Hills'* elections . . ."

MOTION by Hubbard, support by Haynes, to approve the by-laws as amended by the Committee.
Motion carried unanimously.

b. November 7, 2017 Election Results

Clerk Smith provided the Election results to the Committee members noting that it was a very low turn-out Election with just over 18 percent of the electors voting; however. She commented that the new election equipment worked well and election inspectors and voters had positive feedback.

c. Future Election Dates

Clerk Smith reviewed the upcoming Election dates with the Committee that included the August 7, 2018 Primary Election and November 6, 2018 General Gubernatorial Election.

Chair Kendzierski left the meeting at 6:05pm and Member Hubbard took over as acting Chair.

d. Consideration of 2018 Meeting Dates

MOTION by Seelye, support by Hubbard, to approve the 2018 meeting dates as submitted by the Clerk.
Motion carried unanimously.

Member Pitchford left the meeting at 6:08pm

MY VOTE COUNTS:

Acting Chair Hubbard suggested that the committee bring forth topics at the January meeting and assign production responsibility at the February meeting.

COUNCIL OF HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION (COHA) UPDATE:

Member Seelye stated that City Manager Boyer and Mayor Massey will be providing his State of the Cities address at the January 16, 2018 COHA meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Aimee Ergas thanked the Committee for allowing her to observe the meeting.

MEMBER/LIAISON COMMENTS:

There were no further comments.

ADJOURNMENT:

Acting Chair Hubbard adjourned the meeting at 6:30pm.

Minutes drafted by: City Clerk Smith