

**MINUTES**  
**INNOVATION, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE**  
**June 14, 2022**  
**CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS**  
**31555 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD**  
**FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN**

**CALL TO ORDER BY:** Member Quetell at 6:30 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Nikolas deWit, Aaron Paluzzi, Erin Quetell, , Mark Zachos, Jon Aldred, David Richardson

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Nick Rudofski, Matt Strickfaden, Jennifer Whitteaker

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Joe Valentine, Assistant City Manager

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Richardson Support by Zachos to approve the agenda with an amendment to include a discussion of a project in the City of Farmington.

Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES –**

Motion by Richardson, Support by Paluzzi to approve the minutes of May 24, 2022 as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously

**AGENDA ITEMS**

Discussion on a project in the City of Farmington

Member Richardson explained that the Old Farmington High School is now the Maxfield Center and there is a planned development on the site and he would like to ask the committee to encourage the developer to make 2 units of the development all electric. The committee discussed the request and their scope under the resolution which created the committee and asked Member Richardson to gather more information and present it at their next meeting to better understand the request.

Review and discuss committee member ideas and rankings for developing objectives

The committee reviewed the updated scores and discussed having each member that introduced the top 5 topics provide a detailed narrative on their ideas which could be compiled and reviewed at their next meeting. Committee members were asked to provide their respective narratives to Mr. Valentine by July 21<sup>st</sup> for compilation and distribution in the next agenda.

The committee further discussed EV charging stations and the efforts being undertaken by the State to coordinate efforts locally and identify funding opportunities. Given this, the committee wanted to keep reference to EV charging stations as a priority in its report but intend to focus on other topics for recommendations. The committee discussed including existing maps from DTE and Consumers for planned and installed stations in the State.

The committee discussed the intent of the policy and ordinance audit and how it is intended to review existing ordinance and policies in regard to current efforts for promoting sustainability, efficiency and

innovation with building and operational regulations. Part of this review would involve benchmarking with other community ordinances and identify opportunities for improvement.

Member Richardson explained his idea for having a project at the Hawk that could involve a small solar panel to power an electric battery as a training tool in conjunction with the Makers Space. Member Quetell inquired about the opportunity of having the Hawk serve as a resiliency hub for the community as the Costick is serving as a cooling center during the excessive heat warnings this week.

Member Zachos indicated there should be some standardization of the narratives on the priorities being developed. Such focus areas could include community impact, cost, case studies and timeline for implementation. The committee would review the summaries at its next meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no public comments.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Member Quetell adjourned the meeting at 7:33 pm.

Minutes drafted by: Joe Valentine for Secretary deWit.