

MINUTES
COMMITTEE TO INCREASE VOTER PARTICIPATION
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
JUNE 23, 2026 – 5:30 PM
CITY HALL-VIEWPOINT ROOM
31555 W. ELEVEN MILE RD, FARMINGTON HILLS MI 48336

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Thornhill at 5:35 PM.

Members Present: Catherine Brown
Susan Brown
Marjorie Whittemore
Dawn Raymond
Rose Christoph
Patricia Coleman-Burns
Aimee Ergas
Lauri Thornhill

Members Absent: Thomas Engle
Dennis Hubbard
Adam Harrell
Karen Bartos

Others Present: City Clerk Carly Lindahl
Deputy City Clerk Ashley Hopper
Ron Gadoth, COHA President

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Whittemore, support by Ergas, to approve agenda as published.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Whittemore, support by Christoph, to approve the April 28, 2026 minutes, as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Update from City Clerk
 - 2 voter registration drives have been set up at Rose and Brookdale senior facilities – Alex will do these on her own, so no volunteers needed
 - Election inspector training upcoming
 - Working on bulk mailing now; about 22,000 absentee ballots expected to go out

- Upcoming events
 - Will have space at fireworks on Thursday; will use sandwich board and yard signs
 - Founders parade on 7/18 at 9am
 - Open House in October

MEMBER/LIAISON COMMENTS

- Dr. Coleman-Burns shared that the Juneteenth event was great; Rep Clyburn joined virtually and shared about the history and importance of voting. Sarah Brown from the Secretary of State's office shared a tutorial about the voting process.
- Ergas shared that the Secretary of State's office has been sending out an email called Democracy Ambassadors that is worth checking out

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Whittemore to adjourn meeting; supported by Brown; meeting adjourned at 6:05pm.

Next meeting: August 25, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

Carly Lindahl, City Clerk