

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE TO INCREASE VOTER PARTICIPATION
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
APRIL 28, 2026 – 5:30PM
CITY HALL-COMMUNITY ROOM
31555 W. ELEVEN MILE RD, FARMINGTON HILLS MI 48336**

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Thornhill at 5:34pm

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

Members Absent: Catherine Brown
Thomas Engle
Dennis Hubbard
Adam Harrell

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Bartos, support by Whittemore, to approve the February 24, 2026 minutes, as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Update from City Clerk on Strategic Plan Action Items
 - Clerk Lindahl went over action items that are currently being worked on.
 - FAQs that were sent to the Committee via Email will be posted to the City's website
 - The Video Division has reached out and will set up a meeting on the first video with the topic "Ways to Vote"
 - The Voter's Guide brochure has been updated with 2026 information and is available by request to the Deputy Clerk

- Name tags for Committee members will be ordered once the new design is finished
- A list of senior facilities was provided and split up between members to call and see if they are interested in Voter Registration/Information to pass out.

NEW BUSINESS

- Selection of Secretary

Motion by Bartos, support by Ergas to select Catherine Brown as secretary.

Motion carried unanimously.

- Upcoming Events
 - Clerk Lindahl reviewed upcoming events: Art on the Grand, Kick Off to Summer, 250th Anniversary, Founders Day Parade, COA Meeting, COHA Meeting, Interfaith Meeting. Clerk's Office to send out list of events for members to sign up.
 - Discussion relating to Founders Day Parade T-shirts and design. Members will vote on design via email

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- N/A

MEMBER/LIAISON COMMENTS

- Members discussed the importance of keeping our message simple, providing information on deadlines and election dates and *how* to vote your ballot (stay in your lane).

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:37pm.

Next meeting: June 23, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

Carly Lindahl, City Clerk