

MEETING MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
JUNE 23, 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 City Manager Boyer, Directors Gardiner, Lasley, Mekjian, Randle, Fire Chief Bartsch, City Attorney Joppich and Planning Consultant Arroyo

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Miss Oakland County 2013 led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Massey, support by Lerner, to approve the agenda as amended with Consent Agenda Item #11 being removed from the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING CITY CLERK PAM SMITH AS THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS 2014 CLERK OF THE YEAR

The proclamation was read by Mayor Brickner and accepted by City Clerk Pam Smith.

Clerk Smith thanked the Mayor and City Council for the recognition and proclamation and for the opportunity to represent the City of Farmington Hills by attending various Clerks' Association meetings. She commented that the City of Farmington Hills is well respected throughout the State of Michigan and she has always been very proud to work for the city. Clerk Smith also thanked her staff who works hard and supports her every day.

**PROCLAMATION
Pamela B. Smith
2014 City Clerk of the Year**

WHEREAS, Farmington Hills City Clerk Pamela B. Smith has been chosen as the 2014 City Clerk of the Year by the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks; and

WHEREAS, Pam Smith began her career with the City Clerk's Office in 1988, starting as a Recording Secretary, then rising through the organization to become the Administrative Secretary, the Deputy Clerk, and ultimately accepting the appointment as City Clerk in June 2011; and

WHEREAS, Pam Smith has earned her Certified Municipal Clerk and Master Municipal Clerk certifications through the International Association of Municipal Clerks, and has also completed the Michigan Department of State Accreditation Program for Elected Officials; and

WHEREAS, Pam Smith has been nominated for an Outstanding Employee Award by her peers at the City on several occasions and has received the award three times; and

WHEREAS, Pam Smith's dedication to her profession is further demonstrated through her membership in the International Association of Municipal Clerks, the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks, and the Oakland County Clerks Association, where she has served as Secretary, Vice President, and President; and

WHEREAS, Pam Smith is active in the community, has worked with the Farmington Public Schools to promote voter education, regularly attends and teaches at educational classes and conferences, and is highly respected for her exceptional performance in her position as City Clerk for the City of Farmington Hills.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Barry Brickner, Mayor of the City of Farmington Hills, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby congratulate **Pamela B. Smith, 2014 City Clerk of the Year**, and encourage all community members to recognize and applaud the efforts of this exceptional City employee.

PRESENTATION OF A LIFE SAVING AWARD

Chief Bartsch recognized Mrs. Medlen with a Civilian Citation for her contribution in saving her husband's life when he was having a heart attack.

Mr. and Mrs. Medlen expressed their gratitude to the Farmington Hills Fire Department for their efforts in responding to Mr. Medlen's emergency.

EMS Coordinator, Jim Etzin, also acknowledged the following firefighters and awards received:

David Chrisco, District Chief/Paramedic received a Life Saving Award
Timothy Siegrist, Captain/Paramedic received a Life Saving Award
Daniel Wecker, Sergeant/EMT received a Life Saving Award
Todd Kolchinsky, Sergeant/EMT received a Life Saving Award
Jeffrey Talarek, Fire Fighter/Paramedic received a Life Saving Award
Gary Reid, Sergeant/EMT received a Chain of Survival Award
Kevin Steen, Sergeant/Paramedic received a Chain of Survival

UPDATE BY MISS OAKLAND COUNTY AND INTRODUCTION OF THE 2014 CONTESTANTS

Makayla McCoskey stated that she has served as Miss Oakland County for the past year and added that she just returned home from the Miss Michigan pageant which is the precursor to the Miss America pageant. She was fortunate enough to be awarded the "Peoples Choice Award" as well as the "National Miss America Academic Scholar Award". She is excited to announce that the new Miss Michigan is KT Maviglia, who represents Washtenaw County and her platform is, Listen Up, advocating for those with hearing disabilities.

The 2014 Miss Oakland County will be held on July 12, 2014. She stated that she is very excited to share this opportunity with several really great girls but she is sad to have her year come to a close.

Several Oakland County contestants introduced themselves and their platforms.

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

Commission for Energy and Environmental Sustainability
Tip of the Month
June 23, 2014
Read by Randy Bruce

It's now officially summer, which brings warmer temperatures, higher energy demands, and increased air pollution. To reduce your impact on the environment and your wallet this summer, consider these tips:

- Electric fans use **90%** less energy than centralized air conditioning, and **Energy Star**-rated ceiling fans are **50%** more efficient than conventional fan/light units.
- Too hot for a fan and looking for a new air conditioner? Consider opting for a solar-powered air conditioner, or other Energy Star Certified products.
- Turn off your air conditioning, or turn up the temperature setting when your home is not occupied.
- Consider interruptible electric service, which is a voluntary program available through DTE that could save you 20% on your cooling costs.

Especially on Ozone Action Days:

- Avoid refueling your vehicle. If you must refuel, fill up as late in the day as possible, preferably in the evening when the weather is cooler.
- Delay mowing your lawn.
- If you plan to barbeque, avoid using lighter fluid.
- Take the bus, carpool, bike or walk. You'll reduce traffic congestion and air pollution, as well as save money.
- If you do have to drive, consider grouping your trips, avoid drive-thrus, and don't idle your vehicle unnecessarily.

For more tips and information, go to www.sustainablefh.com. Have a safe and planet friendly summer!

REPORT FROM STATE REPRESENTATIVE VICKI BARNETT

State Representative Vicki Barnett provided an update on Proposal 1 that will appear on the August 2014 Primary Ballot. She explained that this ballot proposal is designed to create a replacement fund for the elimination of Personal Property Taxes that businesses pay to our local communities and is not a tax increase.

CORRESPONDENCE

Councilmember Bridges stated that he received correspondence from Mr. Jacobs regarding a concern of a house on Ramblewood with blight issues. Councilmember Bridges stated that he gave the information to City Manager Brock.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Massey, seconded by Bridges, to approve the agenda as amended with the removal of Item #11 from the Consent Agenda.

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

Ms. Fulton, Barrington Green Subdivision, expressed concern with the condition of the roads in her neighborhood that were just improved several years ago by the City. She stated that in the winter the roads are so slick that her neighbors slid into her front yard, and she does not feel the drainage system is working properly. They have also had to hire their own patching crew to patch the streets in the subdivision, and the residents are still paying on the road improvements that were spread over a 10 year period. She asked that someone from the City come out and look at the roads.

City Manager Brock indicated that staff would be out to inspect the roads.

Brenda Thomas, resident, stated that her house is on 14 Mile Road between Halsted and Haggerty and when 14 Mile Road was widened, the water drains off the road and sidewalk and goes into her yard. She stated that all of this water is going into her basement and in the winter she has approximately a foot of ice in her yard and on her driveway.

City Manager Brock indicated that staff would be sent out to inspect the situation.

Masha Silver, resident, also commented on the issues that Ms. Thomas was having at her home with the drainage and encouraged the City to look into this issue.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements were made:

- June 25th is the Annual Jon Grant Golf Outing that raises money for approximately 30 different local charities.
- Students from Beechview Elementary planted flowers in the Costick Center courtyard.
- The new fishing pier at the Founders Sports Park was dedicated on June 18, 2014.
- Great Lakes Credit Union on 12 Mile Road had a ribbon cutting and open house for the opening of their 37th location.
- Botsford Parastar has opened a new dispatch and billing facility in Farmington Hills.

CITY MANAGER UPDATE

City Manager Brock provided the following update:

- There will not be a July 4th celebration in Founders Sports Park this year. Last year there was a celebration with fireworks because it was the City of Farmington Hills 40th Birthday party.
- The Water Tower is almost full then there will be some testing. It should be on line by July 1, 2014.

- The Road Commission for Oakland County is getting ready to bid out the portion of 14 Mile Road that will divert to the south and go into Northwestern Highway. They are hoping to start work either late July or early August. The project should be complete sometime in November.
- Phantom Fireworks held their ribbon cutting ceremony on June 16th. They are located in the former Trader Joe's location. Phantom Fireworks will be putting on two different fireworks displays during the Founders Day Festival. Phantom Fireworks is donating the fireworks for those displays.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AN INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE, CHAPTER 34, "ZONING," TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, IN ORDER TO REZONE THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 21030 HALSTED ROAD FROM RA-1, ONE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, TO SP-1, APECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICT; ZONING REQUIEST 1-3-2014

Planning and Community Development Director Gardiner stated that this is a zoning request for a parcel of property on Halsted Road just north of 8 Mile Road. It is currently zoned RA-1 One-Family Residential and the proponent has submitted an application to rezone the property to an SP-1 Special Purpose District. The parcel is approximately 5.7 acres. He explained that the Planning Commission reviewed this request at their May 22, 2014 Public Hearing and recommended unanimously denial of this request.

Gregory Bator, Attorney for the applicant, stated that he would like to address some of the issues that came up before the Planning Commission. He explained they are requesting to rezone the property to SP-1 Special Purpose District and the city's zoning ordinance limits the purposes for a convalescent home. He stated that the proposal is for a home for the aged facility, which they feel would add value to other residences in the City and would benefit the industry, baby boomers and the seniors themselves to be able to stay and live in Farmington Hills. Mr. Bator stated that the Clearzoning report acknowledged the forecasted increase in the aging population in Michigan and should be a focus of the city's Master Plan update as the existing supply of housing for the aging is inadequate for this growing need. He commented that Farmington Hills is a progressive community and wants to maintain their residents, but there is a need to provide for safe places for them to age.

Councilmember Lerner requested that Attorney Bator address the 4 issues upon which the Planning Commission based their denial.

Attorney Bator felt that the Planning Commission only provided conclusions and provided no analysis or report to back up their reasons for denial; and that they only looked at what the Master Plan currently says without considering other needs. He stated that Farmington Hills has a need for senior housing. Mr. Bator believed that some of the points made by the Planning Commission are contrary to the Clearzoning report and that there was no rationale provided for the reasons of denial.

Mr. Bator pointed out that the SP-1 District would limit the height of the structure and provide for greater setbacks. He spoke to concerns of noise, blight, etc and commented that they would respond to any of the neighbors concerns with regard to these issues. He stated that the applicant is trying to respect the property and is trying to maintain the barn on the site; and feels that the development could enhance the neighborhood and Farmington Hills.

Mr. Bator addressed why they could not build this type of home for the aging upon other parcels in the community.

Councilmember Steckloff stated that her concern is that this would not fit well on this property with the existing stub streets; and the idea within the Master Plan is to try and connect the subdivisions.

Attorney Bator responded that the development would fit within the stub streets. He commented that residents expressed concern with increased traffic, but yet they want the stub streets connected and that seems contradictory. He commented that it is a goal to connect those stub streets but not a mandate; and he feels that the need for a senior facility is much greater than the need to create another entrance or exit from the existing subdivision.

Councilmember Steckloff stated that she does not feel Council is denying there is a need for senior housing, but the question is with the particular location.

Councilmember Massey inquired about a contingency plan for the property should this request be denied. Attorney Bator responded that options would include developing the site as RA-1, single-family or to consider the validity of Council's decision and whether to pursue this request or hold onto the property and wait for some changes and possibly come back with an alternate request. He added that there is no Plan B ready to go at this time.

Rod Arroyo, Planning Consultant, reviewed the property location and surrounding adjacent parcels and provided maps of the property in question. He noted there is vacant property to the east that is not part of the subject property. Mr. Arroyo reviewed his letter, noting that this specific area is identified for low/medium residential density consistent with the current RA-1 zoning. He stated that when the Planning Commission went through the last Master Plan update this was one of many areas studied; and the conclusion was that this area as a goal should maintain one-family residential use of the property through subdivision platting or site condominiums. He added that three specific policies were identified including permitting open space site condominium or subdivision development, the connection of public road stub streets and implementation of the concept plan that was developed as part of the Master Plan. Mr. Arroyo stated that the Department of Public Services also spoke to the importance of stub street connections throughout the City.

Mr. Arroyo also clarified comments made in his report, noting that the proposed use is not consistent with the city's intent for this property; but that the use is generally compatible with residential uses, if properly sited. There are a number of uses that could be permitted, but there are different levels of approval. If the city felt that the requested use was an appropriate use in all single-family districts, it would have been included as a use in the district and that was not done. He added that just because the use could be compatible with a residential area does not mean that this is the case for every site, and the Planning Commission studied this site and believes that it should remain single-family residential.

Mr. Arroyo stated that the Master Plan is reviewed every 5 years by the Planning Commission, which is the appropriate time to consider areas for expanded uses or removal of specific uses. He added that there will be an evaluation of the growing need for senior housing, but there are also site specific goals and policies.

Councilmember Bridges questioned if the Master Plan is sufficient to address the current needs for the aging population and if Mr. Arroyo believes this is a form of spot zoning.

Mr. Arroyo responded that he believes the Planning Commission thoroughly studied the area at the time the last Master Plan was adopted. He expects that when they conduct the next study, there could be some changes. He explained that with regard to spot zoning, he could see why the Planning Commission came to that conclusion.

Councilmember Massey commented that zoning runs with the property and questioned what other uses could be used with the SP-1 Special Purpose District. Mr. Arroyo responded that the SP-1 district is very specific and only allows for orphanages and convalescent housing.

Mayor Brickner inquired if rezoning a parcel is discretionary on the part of Council.

Attorney Joppich stated that a rezoning is a legislative action and there is some discretion, but that should be exercised in a reasonable manner and Council should take into consideration all material brought before them and receive public comment. He feels that is what is occurring this evening and public input will be received. He suggested that once Council makes a decision, the reasons for approval or denial should be identified.

Mayor Brickner opened the public hearing. He acknowledged letters from the following residents stating their opposition to the proposed rezoning: Jeff Larson, Tom and Lori Perna, Richard and Susan Moore, Ralph Raffoul and the Applebrooke Homeowners Association Board representing the residents of that subdivision.

Kevin Gallagher, Dickinson Court, commented that the Planning Commission's recommendation was unanimous and he would encourage City Council to support that recommendation to deny the rezoning.

Marlene Gallagher, Dickinson Court, stated that when they purchased their home in the area the property was and still is zoned single-family residential and they assumed it would stay that way. She expressed concern with the type of use proposed being a 24-hour operation with staff members and possibly emergency transportation coming and going at all hours. She does not feel the site is compatible for that type of use. Kevin Gallagher agreed and added that they are not saying there is not a need for senior housing only that this is not the proper site.

Sharon Zalewski, representing Applebrooke Homeowners Association, read the letter that the Board submitted into the record opposing the proposed rezoning.

Steve Powers, Deerfield, stated that as the developer of Halsted Hollow to the south, it was his hope that area would be developed as open space or some other residential development. He feels that only 11 lots would be able to be built on the site as single-family and not 20 as stated this evening. He commented that the property to the north and east is not part of the property in question, and he believes if the parcel was rezoned it would be setting a precedent for those other parcels to request the same. Mr. Powers requested that City Council uphold the Planning Commission's decision to deny the request.

Milan Blands, Deerfield, stated that the residents in the area all expected that this area would be developed as residential when they purchased their homes. He added that when they speak of the traffic in the area, they were speaking about traffic on Halsted Road and the entrance to the Halsted Hollow Subdivision where school busses pick up and drop off children. At the Planning Commission it was discussed that the use was not consistent with the Master Plan for that property and it was noted that there were other parcels available in the city currently zoned for that use. Discussion was also held at the Planning Commission meeting about it being cost prohibitive to use the property as currently zoned and concerns of the high water table in this area. Mr. Blands stated that he lives behind the property in question and while there is a high water table, no extra money was needed to address this issue and he has had no issue with his home due to the high water table. He encouraged Council to consider the recommendation of the Planning Commission and deny the request. He thanked Council for listening to the residents' concerns.

Mike Zalewski, Wellsley, stated that he and his wife have lived in Farmington Hills for over 30 years and they have appreciated the wisdom and guidance of the City Council, Planning and Zoning and how they have managed the city and look forward to that continuing. He commented that, as Dr. Massey pointed out, the zoning runs with the property; and if the proposed use should cease to exist, the property would not revert back to single-family residential. He commented that it was his understanding that the facility could be licensed for up to 65 beds. He feels this is a significant size for this location and asked that Council uphold the recommendation of the Planning Commission to deny this request.

Mayor Pro-Tem Bruce thanked Attorney Bator for his excellent presentation and for bringing the business idea to the community. He stated that while he agrees more senior housing is needed, this is not the right location. He works within this industry and agrees that this is a 24/7 operation and that it would not be appropriate between two residential sites. He would hope that the proponent would review other opportunities for this type of business if this is denied this evening. Dr. Bruce stated that he agrees with the Planning Commission and their reasons for denial.

MOTION by Bruce, support by Massey, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby DENIES the introduction of an Ordinance amending City Code, Chapter 34, "Zoning," to amend the official Zoning Map, in order to rezone the property located at 21030 Halsted Road from RA-1, One-Family Residential, to SP-1, Special Purpose District, Zoning Request 1-3-2014; based on the following reasons:

1. The proposed district does not conform to the Master Plan for future land use and would be in conflict therewith.
2. It represents a form of spot zoning
3. It would be incompatible with existing (and/or future) uses in the area.
4. The rezoning would negatively affect the City's ability to implement or follow the Master Plan for the area.
5. It is not a logical extension of the property.

Councilmember Steckloff agreed with Dr. Bruce that it was not a question of need for this type of facility, but an issue with the proposed location. She also hopes that the proponent would pursue other properties for this use.

Councilmember Knol concurred with the comments made. She stated that it was mentioned that 5 acres would be needed in order to be more profitable, and she does not feel that it is the job of City Council to consider what might be more profitable for the proponent. She does not feel the use is compatible for this residential area and it was recognized that the other available sites could be developed.

Councilmember Lerner stated that he appreciates the proponent trying to bring this type of business to the community; however, the Planning Commission unanimously recommended denial and they are the experts in the community. He feels the Commission provided a good analysis and that the reasons for denial could not adequately be addressed. He suggested that city staff could help find a more suitable lot if they desired.

Councilmember Bridges commented that the city is aware of the changing demographics and need for senior housing, and he applauds the presentation; but he feels the city will be reviewing those needs in the next Master Plan review.

Councilmember Massey appreciated the passion and knowledge of Attorney Bator. He commented that he understands the challenges with the aging demographics and feels the Master Plan review takes that into consideration. He did not feel this was a logical extension of the property. He added that when people buy in a single-family residential area, they expect it to remain that way.

Mayor Brickner agreed this type of use is need within the community but that it was not an appropriate use for the site in question.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

The meeting was recessed for a 5 minute break.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CONSIDERATION OF ENACTMENT OF AN ORDINANCE C-5-2014 AMENDING CITY CODE, CHAPTER 34, "ZONING," ARTICLE 2.0, "DEFINITIONS,;" ARTICLE 3.0, "ZONING DISTRICTS," TO ADD MEDICAL MARIJUANA CAREGIVING AS AN ACCESSORY USE IN THE RA DISTRICTS; AND ARTICLE 4.0, "USE STANDARDS," AND ADD A NEW SUBSECTION 34-4.57 TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO MEDICAL MARIJUANA CAREGIVING; AND APPROVAL OF SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION

Planning and Community Development Director Gardiner stated that on June 9, 2014 City Council introduced this Ordinance Amendment to establish regulations with regard to medical marijuana care giving and that no changes have been proposed to the ordinance since that time.

MOTION by Lerner, support by Steckloff, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the ENACTMENT of an Ordinance to amend Chapter 34, "Zoning," Article 2.0, "Definitions,;" Article 3.0, "Zoning Districts," to add Medical Marijuana Caregiving as an Accessory Use in the RA Districts; and Article 4.0, "Use Standards," to add a new Subsection 34-4.57 to establish regulations applicable to Medical Marijuana Caregiving, Zoning Text Amendment 2, 2014; and approval of summary for publication.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT TO THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

MOTION by Bridges, support by Knol, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby confirms the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Ken Klemmer to the Historic District Commission for a term to expire 2/1/2016.

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION REGARDING COMPLETE STREETS CMR 6-14-59

Traffic Engineer Mark Saksewski gave a summary of the Complete Streets philosophy and movement in Michigan and stated that all agencies are encouraged to design roadways with the Complete Street concept. The following resolution was adopted:

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
RESOLUTION REGARDING COMPLETE STREETS
RESOLUTION NO. R -106-14

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Farmington Hills, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, held on the 23rd day of June, 2014, at 7:30 p.m., with those present and absent being,

PRESENT: BRICKNER, BRIDGES, BRUCE, KNOL, LERNER, MASSEY AND STECKLOFF
ABSENT: NONE

the following resolution was offered by Councilperson Knol and supported by Councilperson Steckloff:

WHEREAS, a "complete streets policy" is a document that provides guidance for the planning, design, and construction of roadways or a comprehensive, interconnected transportation network with infrastructure and design that promote the safe efficient movement of people and goods whether by car, truck, transit, assistive device, foot, or bicycle; and

WHEREAS, a complete streets policy is intended to be sensitive to the local context and to recognize that needs vary according to urban, suburban, and rural settings; consider the functional class of the roadway and project costs and allows for appropriate exemptions; and, consider the varying needs of all legal users of the roadways of all ages and disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the City, in addition to the use of personal vehicles wishes to encourage walking, bicycling, and public transportation to encourage healthy active living, the reduction of traffic congestion, reduced dependence on fossil fuels, and improved safety and quality of life for residents of the City of Farmington Hills; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that the careful planning and coordinated development of complete streets infrastructure could offer long-term cost savings for local and state government, benefit public health, and provide financial benefits to property owners, businesses, and

investors, while yielding a safe, convenient, and integrated transportation network for all users; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the importance of street infrastructure and modifications that enable safe, convenient, and comfortable travel for all users. These features may include but are not limited to , sidewalks, shared use paths, bicycle lanes, paved shoulders, street trees and landscaping, planting strips, accessible curb ramps, crosswalks, refuge islands, pedestrian signals, signs, street furniture, bicycle parking facilities, public transportation stops and facilities, and other features assisting in the provision of safe travel for all users, such as traffic calming circles, narrow vehicle lanes, raised medians, and road diets;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the City of Farmington Hills, in recognizing the importance of creating and modifying streets such that enable safe travel by all users, supports the adoption of streets policies and practices by the City that will help to create a transportation network in the City of Farmington Hills that encourages multi-modal transportation where appropriate;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City will endeavor to use complete streets practices as a routine part of operations, and shall approach every transportation project and program as an opportunity to improve public streets and the transportation network for all users, and shall work in coordination with the Road Commission for Oakland County and the Michigan Department of Transportation to facilitate the implementation of complete streets infrastructure, to the extent feasible;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City will consider promoting complete streets infrastructure when projects are near public facilities (e.g. schools, government facilities, libraries, public health facilities, parks, hospitals, etc.), locations where there are opportunities for connections across jurisdictions, as well as for projects that serve traditionally underserved or marginalized populations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Farmington Hills shall consider, to the extent possible, complete streets infrastructure, sufficient to enable safe travel along and across the road right-of-way for each category of users for every street project on public streets; provided, however, that such infrastructure may be excluded upon agreement by the City and the Road Commission for Oakland County and/or Michigan Department of Transportation, subject to each agency's powers and duties, where documentation and data indicate that:

- a) Use by non-motorized users is prohibited by law;
- b) The cost would be excessively disproportionate to the need or probable future use over the long term;
- c) There is an absence of current or future need; or,
- d) Inclusion of such infrastructure would be unreasonable or inappropriate in light of the scope of the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City shall develop proposed amendments to all appropriate City planning documents, as necessary, to integrate, accommodate, and balance the needs of all users in all street projects on public streets;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City, in cooperation with the Road Commission for Oakland County, where applicable, will promote the development of standards to implement complete streets infrastructure;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City will take the following steps and develop procedures to evaluate the implementation and effectiveness of its complete streets policy:

1. The City intends to evaluate how well the streets within the City are serving each category of users and accordingly, promote complete streets policy and promote the use of performance standards with measurable benchmarks reflecting the ability of users to travel in safety and comfort;
2. The City intends to promote the use of procedures to allow public participation in policy decisions and transparency in individual determinations concerning the design and use of streets.
3. The City intends to implement, administer and enforce this policy through partnerships with the Road Commission for Oakland County and the Michigan Department of Transportation.
4. The City intends to, in reviewing projects requiring funding or approval by the City, the Road Commission for Oakland County, or the Michigan Department of Transportation:
 - a) Evaluate the impact of the proposed project on safe travel by all users, and
 - b) Identify measures to mitigate any adverse impacts.
5. The City intends on pursuing policies to implement complete streets infrastructure which may consider the following:
 - a) Addressing short-term and long term steps and planning necessary to create a comprehensive and integrated transportation network serving the needs of all users;
 - b) Assessing potential obstacles to implementing complete streets practices throughout the City and identifying alternative solutions to those obstacles;
 - c) Recommending adoption of procedures with additional steps, if useful; and
 - d) Proposing revisions to all applicable plans to integrate, accommodate, and balance the needs of all users in all street projects.

AYES: BRICKNER, BRIDGES, BRUCE, KNOL, LERNER, MASSEY AND STECKLOFF
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
ABSTENTIONS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AWARD OF BID FOR THE 2014 AND 2015 AS-NEEDED CATCH BASIN STABILIZATION SERVICES TO HAVENER TECH IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000 PER YEAR, WITH POSSIBLE EXTENSIONS

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager and the City Clerk to sign a contract with Havener Tech in the amount not-to-exceed \$25,000 per year for the 2014 and 2015 As-Needed Catch Basin Stabilization Services and for two (2) additional years, under the same terms and conditions, upon mutual consent of the City and contractor.

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 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT FOR
THE FARMINGTON HILLS FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION/IAFF LOCAL 2659
CMR 6-14-62**

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager and the Director of Human Resources to execute a new agreement with the Farmington Hills Fire Fighters Association/IAFF Local 2659, to include the terms and conditions as follows:

1. DURATION OF AGREEMENT: The provisions of this agreement shall be effective as of July 1, 2014 and shall continue and remain in full force and effect to and including June 30, 2017.

2. WAGES: 2% per year each of the three years.

3. PROMOTION: Create an additional Staff Lieutenant (replacing Assistant to Fire Chief) and four (4) Station Sergeant positions at the outstations on a 4/10 schedule. Probationary Sergeant base pay will be \$65,000 and increased to \$67,000 upon successful completion of the probationary period.

4. FUNERAL LEAVE: Leave days shall be taken in conjunction with the day of the funeral service and in the following increments:

Up to five (5) days

Spouse
Child

Up to three (3) days

“In Law” – Parent
“Step” – Parent

Up to four (4) days

Parent
Sibling
Grandchild
Grandparent

Up to two (2) days

*Household Relative
“In Law” – Brother, Sister
“Step” - Brother, Sister or Grandparent

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MEETING
MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 2014**

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the City Council Study Session Meeting Minutes of June 9, 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 JUNE 9, 2014

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of June 9, 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 ENTERING INTO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE REGULAR MEETING IN ORDER TO DISCUSS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves entering into an executive session immediately following the regular meeting in order to discuss collective bargaining.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

The Attorney's Report was accepted as submitted.

TOPICS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Brickner mentioned potential topics for the next regular City Council meeting of July 14, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brickner adjourned the regular City Council meeting at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela B. Smith, City Clerk