

MINUTES  
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING (VIA TELECONFERENCE)  
APRIL 27, 2020 – 7:30 PM  
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBER

The regular session meeting of the Farmington Hills City Council was called to order by Mayor Barnett via teleconference at 7:30pm.

Council Members Present: Barnett, Boleware, Bridges, Knol, Massey, Newlin and Steckloff

Council Members Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Boyer, City Clerk Smith, Assistant City Manager Mekjian, Directors Mondora, Monico and Schnackel, Fire Chief Unruh and City Attorney Joppich

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Barnett led the pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR SESSION MEETING AGENDA**

MOTION by Massey, support by Bridges to approve the agenda as published.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, BRIDGES, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STECKLOFF  
Nays: NONE  
Absent: NONE  
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

The following correspondence was acknowledged:

- E-mails regarding road construction taking place according to the city's local road construction schedule and questions regarding the removal of trees and standing water issues. City Manager Boyer commented on the city's response and Mayor Barnett explained the city's tree replacement program.
- E-mail from Mr. Tom DeWard. Attorney Joppich commented on his response to Mr. DeWard regarding approval of bids for as-needed engineering services.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTION by Massey, support by Newlin, to approve the Consent Agenda as read.

Roll Call Vote on amendment:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, BRIDGES, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STECKLOFF  
Nays: NONE  
Absent: NONE  
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

### **PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

Mayor Barnett read the following comments into the record at the request of County Commissioner Marcia Gershenson:

#### *Community update*

*I want to be sure all residents know Oakland County is now testing for Covid 19 on our campus at 1200 North Telegraph.*

*You must call our Nurse on call phone number 800-848-5533 hours are Monday through Friday -8am -8pm Saturday 9am-5 for an appointment.*

*They are prioritizing first responder, essential workers, and residents that are symptomatic. Please call to be tested if you meet the criteria.*

*You can get COVID-19 text updates daily form the County Health Department. If you are interested you can text OAKGOV to 28748 for the latest pandemic updates.*

*Oakland County web site has a dashboard for those who are interested in the data being collected about the virus. Again our website is oakgov.com*

*Many people are facing difficulties with their unemployment applications. We have a Work relief section on our County COVID-19 page that has resources related that might help you.*

*The Board of Commissioners recently approved 16 million dollars towards personal protection equipment. Unfortunately, there are still shortages.*

*If you or you know of a business that has any of the needed materials, such as swabs, gloves, gowns, masks, face shields, no touch thermometers you can drop them off at our Oakland County Farmers Market, 2350 Pontiac Lake Rd. Monday -Friday from 9am-5 pm.*

*If you need the items to be picked up please call our Emergency Operations Center 248-858-5300*

### **COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The following City Council comments and announcements were made:

- Starting May 4, 2020 drive-up Covid testing will also be conducted in the Oakland County Health Division parking lot at 27725 Greenfield Road, Southfield MI from 9am-5pm with the same requirements as outlined in County Commissioner Gershenson's comments.

### **CITY MANAGER UPDATE**

City Manager Boyer provided the following update:

- Information from Oakland County regarding the Covid testing facilities will be on the City website tomorrow
- Extension of census deadline to October 31, 2020 and importance of completing the census
- The Farmington Hills Golf Club is now open to walkers only at this time

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE CITY HALL CAMPUS PARKING LOT REPLACEMENT PROJECT TO THE LOWEST COMPETENT**

**BIDDER, HUTCH PAVING, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$298,362.00. CMR 4-20-53. (Postponed from April 13, 2020 regular City Council meeting)**

City Manager Boyer confirmed that the City had sufficient funding to complete Phase 1 of the project this fiscal year and noted that the project had come in \$100,000 under budget; however, he understood the sensitivity to moving forward. He noted that Phase 2 of the project planned for next year has already been postponed.

Discussion was held on postponing the project, the fiscal state of the city moving forward and timing of the project and expiration of the submitted bid.

MOTION by Bridges, support by Boleware, to not take action on the paving project at this time and rebid the project in the fall.

City Manager Boyer suggested that another option would be to postpone any action until after the budget meetings scheduled for May 4 and 5, 2020 so that staff can provide City Council with more information on the 3 year budget projections.

MOTION by Massey, support by Knol, to amend the motion to postpone additional discussion on the award of bid for the city hall parking lot paving project until the next regular session meeting following the budget meetings in early May.

Roll Call Vote on the amendment:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, BRIDGES, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STECKLOFF  
Nays: NONE  
Absent: NONE  
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

A vote was then taken on the original motion including the amendment:

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, BRIDGES, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STECKLOFF  
Nays: NONE  
Absent: NONE  
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RECOMMENDED ACCEPTANCE OF COMMISSION ON AGING ANNUAL REPORT**

MOTION by Massey, support by Newlin, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby accepts the Commission on Aging Annual Report.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, BRIDGES, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STECKLOFF  
Nays: NONE  
Absent: NONE  
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDER TO TRUCK AND TRAILER SPECIALTIES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$39,500.00 FOR ADDITIONAL HOOK-LOADER ATTACHMENTS FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT. CMR 4-20-54**

MOTION by Massey, support by Newlin, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves a purchase order to Truck and Trailer Specialties in an amount not to exceed \$39,500.00 for additional Hook-Loader Attachments for Road Maintenance Equipment.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, BRIDGES, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STECKLOFF  
Nays: NONE  
Absent: NONE  
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE 2020/2021 CONCRETE REPLACEMENT, CATCH BASIN REHABILITATION AND SUMP PUMP CONNECTION PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$675,585.00, WITH POSSIBLE EXTENSIONS; AND AUTHORIZATION OF JOINT FUNDING FOR THE LOCAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT MATCHING FUND PILOT PROGRAM WITH THE OAKLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$306,942. CMR 4-20-55**

MOTION by Massey, support by Newlin, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager and the City Clerk to sign the contract for the 2020/2021 Concrete replacement, Catch Basin Rehabilitation and Sump Pump Connection Program with Hartwell Cement Company in the amount of \$675,585.00 with possible unit price extension not to exceed the approved fiscal year's budget amount annually; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager is authorized to extend said contract for an additional four one-year periods under the same terms & conditions at a not-to-exceed 8% increase over the unit prices stated in their bid; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of Farmington Hills authorize the joint funding for the Local Road Improvement Matching Fund Pilot Program with the County Board of Commissioners in the amount of \$306,942 from Board Project No. 2019-06.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, BRIDGES, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STECKLOFF  
Nays: NONE  
Absent: NONE  
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AWARD OF BID FOR A TRAILER-MOUNTED ASPHALT HEATER TO FALCON ROAD MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,989.60. CMR 4-20-56**

MOTION by Massey, support by Newlin, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager to approve a purchase order with Falcon Road Maintenance

Equipment in the amount of \$23,989.60, which reflects the trade-in of unit #277 for \$3,500, for the purchase of a 2020 four-ton Diesel-Fired, Trailer-Mounted Asphalt Heater.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, BRIDGES, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STECKLOFF  
Nays: NONE  
Absent: NONE  
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AWARD OF BID FOR EMERGENCY LIGHT REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR THE ICE ARENA TO BELL ELECTRICAL SUPPLY CO. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,176.00; AND TO COMPETITIVE LIGHTING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,255.93 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$19,000 WITH CONTINGENCIES. CMR 4-20-57**

MOTION by Massey, support by Newlin, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager to sign an agreement and issue two purchase orders for the Ice Arena Emergency Light Replacement Project: one to Bell Electrical Supply Co for \$7176.00; one to Competitive Lighting for \$7,255.93 in an amount not to exceed 19,000 (\$14,431.93 + \$4,568.07 contingency).

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, BRIDGES, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STECKLOFF  
Nays: NONE  
Absent: NONE  
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF QUARTERLY INVESTMENT AND FINANCIAL REPORTS**

MOTION by Massey, support by Newlin, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby acknowledges the Quarterly Investment Report and FY 2019/20 Third Quarter Financial Summary Report.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, BRIDGES, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STECKLOFF  
Nays: NONE  
Absent: NONE  
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 13, 2020.**

MOTION by Massey, support by Newlin, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the City Council regular session meeting minutes of April 13, 2020.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, BRIDGES, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STECKLOFF  
Nays: NONE  
Absent: NONE  
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Massey, support by Newlin, to adjourn the regular session City Council meeting at 8:11pm

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, BRIDGES, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STECKLOFF  
Nays: NONE  
Absent: NONE  
Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela B. Smith, City Clerk