

MINUTES
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 10, 2021 – 7:30 PM

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

During roll call, Council Members were asked to state their location from where they are attending the meeting remotely.

Council Members Present: Vicki Barnett, Farmington Hills, Michigan
Jackie Boleware, Farmington Hills, Michigan
Valerie Knol, Farmington Hills, Michigan
Ken Massey, Farmington Hills, Michigan
Mary Newlin, Farmington Hills, Michigan
Matthew Strickfaden, Farmington Hills, Michigan

Council Members Absent: Michael Bridges

Others Present: City Manager Mekjian, City Clerk Smith, Assistant City Manager Valentine, Directors Mondora, Monico, Schnackel and Skrobola, Police Chief King 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 Strickfaden, to approve the agenda as published.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MAY 16 - 22, 2021 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

The following Proclamation was read by Council Member Strickfaden and accepted by Karen Mondora, Director of Public Services:

PROCLAMATION
National Public Works Week
May 16 – 22, 2021
“Stronger Together”

WHEREAS, public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities, and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities such as the City of Farmington Hills; and

WHEREAS, National Public Works Week recognizes the men and women who provide and maintain the services collectively known as public works, which are an integral part of the health, safety, high quality of life, and well-being in the everyday lives of Farmington Hills residents; and

WHEREAS, the support of an understanding and informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operation of public works systems and programs such as water supply, sanitary sewers, roadways, public buildings and properties, signage, traffic control, and solid waste collection and recycling; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, and comfort of this community all depend upon the effectiveness of public works programs and the vital contributions and daily service of the dedicated and hard-working professionals of the Public Services Department and the Division of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme, "Stronger Together," reminds us that citizens and public works professionals can work together to accomplish goals and have a great impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, National Public Works Week was instituted by the American Public Works Association as a public education campaign designed to call attention to the importance of public works in the lives of present and future generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Vicki Barnett, Mayor of the City of Farmington Hills, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim May 16 – 22, 2021 as **National Public Works Week** in the City of Farmington Hills and call upon all citizens to recognize and acknowledge the vital services provided daily by the City's public works professionals to maintain the high quality of life in Farmington Hills.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was acknowledged:

- E-mail indicating that the Groves-Walker American Legion Memorial Day Parade will be held as a virtual event

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Knol, support by Massey, to approve consent agenda as read.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STRICKFADEN

Nays: NONE

Absent: BRIDGES

Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Marcia Gershenson, County Commissioner, mentioned the following:

She will be holding an informational meeting on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 5pm to talk about the first round of the Federal American Rescue Plan Funding of \$244 million that has been allocated to Oakland County.

This allocation is different than last year's CARES funding because Cities, Villages and Townships will also be receiving \$155 million in stimulus money.

Commissioners are working with County administration to develop a plan to maximize the impact of these funds to make transformative investments in our community. She is reaching out because leveraging these funds in partnership with our state and local governments is a key strategy in the County's plan.

They are expecting to receive the Treasury department criteria for the allocation of the dollars this week. Chief Deputy Chris Ward will be on the call to answer any questions.

When elected leaders and staff are talking about infrastructure improvements, please remember, the County might be able to share some of your expenses.

The invite for the meeting on May 18 will go out this week.

Tom Callahan, resident, questioned a resolution relating to the City's road millage and Act 51 funding. Mayor Barnett and Councilmember Knol offered some history on this topic and provided an explanation of the intent of the resolution.

Mr. Callahan asked that a copy of the resolution is sent to him and outlines where it is tied to the passing of a state-wide initiative.

Councilmember Knol stated that she would send Mr. Callahan a copy as well as a copy of an article she mentioned from the Observer that covered the meeting where this was discussed and outlined the city's intent.

COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following comments and announcements were made:

- Councilmember Newlin noted that National Nurses Week is May 6th – 12th, Physicians Day was March 30th and EMS Week is May 16th – 22nd.

CITY MANAGER UPDATE

City Manager Mekjian provided the following update:

- American Red Cross will be sponsoring a Blood Drive on Wednesday, June 2, 2021 from 8am to 8pm at the Costick Center.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF AN APPEAL OF A FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST DATED MARCH 26, 2021.

City Attorney Joppich explained that after discussion with the Police Department, Attorney Young reached out to the individual that submitted the appeal and she has requested that this matter be postponed to provide more opportunity to resolve the matter without the necessity of an appeal.

MOTION by Massey, support by Strickfaden, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby postpones consideration of an appeal of a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated March 26, 2021 to the June 14, 2021 City Council meeting if deemed necessary.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES & ENERGY THIRD AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ORDER. CMR 5-21-52

MOTION by Knol, support by Massey, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves entering into the Third Amended Administrative Consent Order (ACO-05508) with the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes & Energy, and authorizes the City Manager to sign the ACO on behalf of the City.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FY 2020/21 THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT.

MOTION by Knol, support by Massey, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby acknowledges the FY 2020/21 Third Quarter Financial Summary Report.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF DELL CAD WORKSTATIONS FOR THE MAKER SPACE AT THE FARMINGTON HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER WITH DELL MARKETING LP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,291. CMR 5-21-53

MOTION by Knol, support by Massey, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager to issue a purchase order to Dell Marketing LP for CAD workstations in the amount of \$17,291.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AWARD OF BID FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE FARMINGTON HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER TO WILKINS PRO CLEAN, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$81,900 PER YEAR, AND FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE COSTICK ACTIVITIES CENTER TO GLOBAL ENERGY FM, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,200 PER YEAR; BOTH WITH POSSIBLE EXTENSIONS. CMR 5-21-54

MOTION by Knol, support by Massey, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager to sign a one (1) year contract with Wilkins Pro Clean, Inc. in the amount of \$81,900 per year for janitorial services at the Farmington Hills Community Center, The HAWK, with an option to renew for four (4) additional one (1) year periods upon mutual consent between the City and Wilkins Pro Clean; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council authorizes the City Manager to sign a one (1) year contract with LGC Global Energy FM, LLC in the amount of \$18,200 per year for janitorial services at the Costick Activities Center with an option to renew for four (4) additional one (1) year periods upon mutual consent between the City and LGC Global Energy.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AWARD OF BID FOR A TRUCK MOUNTED TOPDRESSER TO SPARTAN DISTRIBUTORS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,417.20. CMR 5-21-55

MOTION by Knol, support by Massey, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager to issue a purchase order for a Turfco 1500 Truck Mounted Topdresser, including all specified options, to Spartan Distributors in the amount of \$12,417.20

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF PURCHASE FOR MOBILE DATA COMPUTERS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT WITH DELL EMC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,738.89. CMR 5-21-56

MOTION by Knol, support by Massey, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby authorizes the City Manager to issue a purchase order to DELL EMC in the amount of \$24,738.89 for Mobile Data Computers and related equipment.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR EMPLOYMENT UNDER SECTION 10.01A OF THE CITY CODE.

MOTION by Knol, support by Massey, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the request for employment under Section 10.01A of the City Code for William Stefan as a Driving Range Attendant in the Special Services Department. William is the son of Greg Stefan, who is a Driving Range Attendant in the Special Services Department.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 26, 2021.

MOTION by Knol, support by Massey, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the City Council study session meeting minutes of April 26, 2021.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 26, 2021.

MOTION by Knol, support by Massey, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the City Council regular session meeting minutes of April 26, 2021.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

None.

ATTORNEY REPORT

City Council received the Attorney Report.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Massey, support by Boleware, to adjourn the regular session City Council meeting at 8:06pm.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BARNETT, BOLEWARE, KNOL, MASSEY, NEWLIN AND STRICKFADEN

Nays: NONE

Absent: BRIDGES

Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 6-0-1-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela B. Smith, City Clerk