

MINUTES
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2019 – 7:30 PM
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBER

The regular session meeting of the Farmington Hills City Council was called to order by Mayor Massey at 7:30 p.m.

Council Members Present: Bridges, Knol, Lerner, Massey, Rich and Steckloff

Council Members Absent: Bruce

Others Present: City Manager Boyer, City Clerk Smith, Fire Chief Unruh and City Attorney Joppich

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Assistant Police Chief, Dan Rodriguez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 11-17, 2019 AS PATRIOT WEEK

The following Proclamation was read by Councilmember Knol and accepted by Assistant Police Chief Dan Rodriguez:

**PROCLAMATION
Patriot Week
September 11 – 17, 2019**

WHEREAS, September 11 – 17, 2019 has been declared as Patriot Week in the State of Michigan, with Wednesday, September 11, 2019 declared as Patriot Day and Tuesday, September 17, 2019 declared as Constitution Day; and

WHEREAS, Patriot Week celebrates the concepts and principles put forth by our Founding Fathers in the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution of the United States, and the Bill of Rights, which make this the greatest nation in world history; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of this nation live in freedom, which was gained through the great sacrifices and many tribulations of those who currently serve or who have served our country and provided us with the foundation for a free, prosperous, and independent life; and

WHEREAS, each generation must work to maintain this freedom, otherwise through carelessness or indifference, our rights and liberties may vanish; and

WHEREAS, the City of Farmington Hills recognizes and celebrates all the patriots, past and present, who have dedicated their lives to the service of others and thereby exemplified a deep love and devotion to their country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Ken Massey, Mayor of the City of Farmington Hills, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim September 11 – 17, 2019 as **Patriot Week** and call upon the citizens of Farmington Hills to come together to recognize the loyal devotion of those who have given dedicated service to our nation and made daily sacrifices to preserve a society built upon the principles of life, liberty, and justice for all.

Assistant Chief Rodriguez announced that on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 6pm a ceremony will be held in downtown Farmington to recognize those that sacrificed their lives on 9-11 and to also recognize the Farmington and Farmington Hills Police Officers of the Year.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMISSION TIP OF THE MONTH

The following Tip of the Month was read by Irvin Moyna, EPC member:

**CITY OF FARMINGTON and FARMINGTON HILLS
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMISSION**

Tip of the Month

September

Goal for September: Be Informed

During a disaster getting correct information during an emergency is the key to taking safe action. Not everyone will know what to do with emergency information as they receive it. . Now is the time as the weather begins to change to start thinking of reviewing what to do for different emergency alerts, signals, sirens, and messaging.

Things to think about

- Emergency weather and broadcast alerts may not be in closed caption
- Information may only be printed on the screen and not spoken, this information may also move at a very fast speed
- Automated voices and messaging over speakers or phones may be hard to understand
- Information may be given quickly and the stress of the event may make it hard to understand or remember instructions
- The alert screen may be difficult for some to read if they are color blind
- English may not be a primary language

How to Be Informed

Sign up for local emergency notification systems

- Nixle Alert System <http://www.nixle.com/>
- Oakland Counties alert system OakAlert <https://www.oakgov.com/homelandsecurity/need-to-know/alerts/Pages/OakAlert.aspx>

Familiarize yourself with other alert systems such as outdoor warning sirens.

Make sure your family has a NOAA emergency radio and knows how to use it.

Add the community response radio system to your presets

Review local weather before planning or attending an event. Prepare accordingly.

PRESENTATION OF BREAST CANCER AWARENESS SHIRTS TO CITY COUNCIL BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Unruh announced that this is the 4th year that the Fire Department has designed t-shirts to support breast cancer awareness. He introduced members of the Fire Department present including Fire Fighter Robin Chevrette who designed the t-shirts.

Rob Chevrette explained that 100% of the profits from the shirt sales will be provided to the Beaumont Cancer Foundation. The Foundation helps local women with treatments and medications that insurance will not cover. T-shirts will be sold at Fire Station #5 lobby and at the upcoming City Wide Open House on September 22, 2019. The t-shirts cost \$20 for the short sleeve and \$25 for long sleeve or \$40 for one of each.

CORRESPONDENCE

Councilmember Rich acknowledged correspondence received regarding a development proposed in the City of Novi at 12 Mile and Haggerty for 330 apartments where it is now zoned office. She inquired if the City Manager had further information on this development. City Manager Boyer stated that the proposal is in preliminary design and proposed for an open parcel on Haggerty between 12 and 13 Mile Roads. He confirmed there is office on both sides of the property and residential across the street in Farmington Hills. He would be meeting with the City Manager of Novi soon and would get more details on the proposed project.

Mayor Massey asked Councilmember Rich to forward the information to him so that he could also reach out to the Mayor of Novi to get more information on the proposed project.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Lerner, support by Knol, to approve Consent Agenda as read.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BRIDGES, KNOL, LERNER, MASSEY, RICH AND STECKLOFF

Nays: NONE

Absent: BRUCE

Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

There were no public questions or comments.

COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following events/activities were acknowledged by Council:

- Call to Action Coalition Breakfast October 4th at 7am at the Costick Center
- Vaping 101 Training to be held in the area high schools this week

- Drugs 101 free seminar hosted by the Farmington Community Library on 12 Mile Road on September 17, 2019 from 6:30pm-8pm.
- Patriot Week Ceremony to be held at Riley Skate Park on September 11, 2019

CITY MANAGER UPDATE

City Manager Boyer mentioned the following:

- City Wide Open House will be held on September 22, 2019 from Noon to 4pm

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE C-10-2019 AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF LOT 118 OF ASSESSOR'S GRAND RIVER HOMESSTATE SUB TO RYAN SNABES; AND APPROVAL OF SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION.

Attorney Joppich explained that the first reading of the ordinance was approved by City Council at their last meeting and this is the second reading tonight. The City Charter requires that the conveyance of property is done by ordinance and this ordinance would convey a tax reverted parcel to the adjoining neighbor. If approved by City Council, a quit claim deed would be signed to complete the conveyance of the property upon the effective date of the ordinance.

MOTION by Knol, support by Bridges, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the ENACTMENT of Ordinance C-10-2019 authorizing the conveyance of the property located at T1N, R9E, SEC 35 Assessor's Grand River Homesstate Sub Lot 118, being Parcel #22-23-35-281-005 (vacant land) to Ryan Snabes; and approval of summary for publication.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT 1 TO THE 2016 OAKLAND COUNTY BROWNFIELD CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT WITH OAKLAND COUNTY. CMR 9-19-93

MOTION by Lerner, support by Knol, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves Amendment 1 to the 2016 Oakland County Brownfield Consortium Agreement between Oakland County and the City of Farmington Hills and furthermore, authorize City Manager, Dave Boyer to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR THE NARDIN PARK FOOD TRUCK RALLY TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2019.

MOTION by Lerner, support by Knol, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves a Special Event Permit for the Nardin Park Food Truck Rally to be held on Saturday, September 14, 2019 from 5pm-9pm, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- The applicant will comply with the noise ordinance
- There will be ample on-site parking
- Emergency response shall not be restricted and emergency access shall be maintained on the western and eastern entrance to the site
- The applicant is not requesting assistance from the Police Department for this event
- Fire lanes shall not be blocked or restricted other than the location marked “food truck” on the site plan
- Egress from the facility shall not be restricted
- Food trucks shall be located a minimum of 10’ from any structure
- Event shall comply with minimum Fire Prevention Code requirements
- Tents require NFPA 701 Flame Resistance label affixed to panels/canopy
- All inflatables shall be properly secured to the ground in the event of unexpected high winds
- Proponent must contact Fire Prevention prior to the beginning of the event to schedule a site inspection
- The event shall be set up in accordance with the updated site plan provided on September 5, 2019

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: BRIDGES, KNOL, LERNER, MASSEY, RICH AND STECKLOFF

Nays: NONE

Absent: BRUCE

Abstentions: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR THE PRACTICE ZONE GET FIT FESTIVAL TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019.

MOTION by Lerner, support by Knol, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves a Special Event Permit for The Practice Zone Get Fit Festival to be held on Sunday, September 15, 2019 from 1pm-4pm, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- Emergency access to the site shall not be restricted
- There will be ample on-site parking
- The applicant is not requesting assistance from the Police Department
- A 20’ fire lane shall be maintained around the entire facility and vendors shall be located in a way that will not restrict emergency response
- Tents larger than 10 x 10 require NFPA 701 Flame Resistance label affixed to panels/canopy
- Egress from the facility shall not be restricted
- Event shall comply with minimum Fire Prevention Code requirements

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

**RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING
MINUTES OF AUGUST 26, 2019.**

MOTION by Lerner, support by Knol, that the City Council of Farmington Hills hereby approves the City Council regular session meeting minutes of August 26, 2019 as submitted.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

The City Attorney's report was received by City Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Massey adjourned the regular City Council meeting at 7:52pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela B. Smith, City Clerk