

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on Monday, March 19, 2001 in Council Chambers, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mayor Hartsock.

PRESENT: Bush, Campbell, Hartsock, McShane, Mitchell.

ABSENT: None.

CITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Clerk/Treasurer Cantrell, Director Goss, Director Gushman, City Manager Lauhoff, Assistant City Manager Richards.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

03-01-390 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by McShane, to approve the agenda as submitted. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

03-01-391 MOTION by Bush, seconded by Mitchell, to approve the minutes of the Regular and Special meetings of March 5, 2001 as submitted.

MINUTES OF OTHER BOARDS

03-01-392 MOTION by Mitchell, seconded by McShane, to receive and file the minutes of the following Boards and Commissions.

- Planning Commission minutes of March 12, 2001.
- Historical Commission minutes of February 21, 2001.
- Farmington Area Commission on Aging minutes of November 28, 2000.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PRESENTATION: SHARLAN DOUGLAS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, EIGHT MILE BOULEVARD ASSOCIATION.

Sharlan Douglas, Executive Director, Eight Mile Boulevard Association, discussed the activities and goals of the Eight Mile Boulevard Association and the upcoming 2001 Leadership Luncheon.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.

03-01-393 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by McShane, to appoint Al Bennett to the Board of Zoning Appeals for an unexpired term ending June 2002. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PRESENTATION: PROCLAMATION FOR DETROIT'S 300TH BIRTHDAY – THE HONORABLE DENNIS W. ARCHER, MAYOR, CITY OF DETROIT.

Mayor Hartsock presented a proclamation to the Honorable Dennis W. Archer, Mayor of Detroit, in recognition of Detroit's 300th birthday; and also presented the Mayor with a City of Farmington afghan depicting historic sites within the City.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

LETTER FROM MS. SHELLEY RAYMOND REQUESTING GROUND SIGN FOR BAKER STREET DRAPERIES AT 33432 OAKLAND STREET. Administration advised that Ms. Raymond has requested a ground sign, 70" x 37.5" in size, with ground lights. Administration further advised that if Council wishes to grant permission to Baker Street Draperies for a ground sign, Council would need to grant a variance to Section 25-13, subsection 11 of the city sign ordinance.

Ms. Raymond responded to questions regarding the size of the sign and agreed to reduce the size to 30" x 56" with low intensity lighting.

03-01-394 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Mitchell, to grant a variance to Section 25-13, subsection 11 of the city sign ordinance approving a ground sign for Baker Street Draperies at 33432 Oakland Street as requested with the exceptions that the sign be reduced to 30" by 56", that the drop sign be removed and that low intensity lighting be used to illuminate the sign. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

LETTER FROM DIANE BRADY, SOUTH FARMINGTON BASEBALL, INC. REGARDING PARADE PERMIT. Mrs. Brady requested permission to conduct their annual opening day parade culminating in a celebration at Shiawassee Park.

03-01-395 MOTION by Bush, seconded by McShane, to authorize the use of City streets for the South Farmington Baseball, Inc. annual opening day parade, on Saturday, May 5, 2001 beginning at 10:00 a.m. and culminating in a celebration at Shiawassee Park and to provide assistance by the Public Safety Department to ensure safety along the parade route. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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LETTER FROM FARMINGTON COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL REGARDING REQUEST FOR BANNER OVER GRAND RIVER AVENUE. The Farmington Community Arts Council has requested approval to hang a banner over Grand River Avenue to promote the Festival of Arts as was done last year.

Nancy Coumoundouros, Cultural Arts Coordinator, was present to answer questions from Council.

03-01-396 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Mitchell, to approve the request of the Farmington Community Arts Council to hang a 25' x 5' mesh banner across Grand River Avenue between School and Mayfield Streets from April 23 to May 7, 2001. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

LETTER FROM DENNIS W. ARCHER, MAYOR, DETROIT, MICHIGAN REQUESTING THE WEEK IN WHICH JUNE 14, 2001 OCCURS AS "NATIONAL FLAG WEEK." Administration advised that a letter has been received from Dennis Archer, Mayor of Detroit and President of the National League of Cities, requesting City Council issue a proclamation regarding "Flag Day" and "National Flag Week" in June.

Council requested information be put on City of Farmington's cable channel regarding the "Pause for the Pledge of Allegiance" scheduled for June 14, 2001.

03-01-397 MOTION by McShane, seconded by Bush, to issue a proclamation declaring the week of June 10-16, 2001 as "National Flag Week" and Thursday, June 14, 2001 as "Flag Day", encouraging residents of the City of Farmington to "Pause for the Pledge of Allegiance" at 7:00 p.m. on that day. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

CONSIDERATION OF CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE NO. 5 AND CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 – FINAL PAYMENT FOR THE 2000 PAVING PROGRAM. Administration advised that the Angelo lafrate Construction Company had submitted Construction Estimate No. 5 and Change Order No. 3 for final work in Bel Aire Subdivision, eliminating water ponding in curb areas and final restoration. Administration recommended approval of payment based on review by the City Engineer and Public Services Director.

03-01-398 MOTION by Mitchell, seconded by Campbell, to approve Construction Estimate No. 5 and Change Order No. 3 for the 2000 Paving Program and authorize payment in the amount of \$29,883.33 to Angelo lafrate Construction Company of Warren, Michigan to be released at the time all final construction documentation is

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received by the City; funds are provided in the Local Street Fund in the FY 2000-01 budget.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Campbell, Hartsock, McShane, Mitchell, Bush.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSIDERATION OF BID AWARD FOR SANITARY SEWER GRIT CHAMBER ABANDONMENT. Administration advised that bids based on bid documents prepared by City Engineers, Orchard, Hiltz and McCliment, Inc. had been received for a sanitary sewer grit chamber abandonment project; City administration, with the Public Service Director and City Engineer, recommended that City Council award the sewer grit chamber abandonment project to the low bidder, The Oakland Excavating Company of Pontiac, Michigan.

03-01-399 MOTION by McShane, seconded by Bush, to award the bid for the sanitary sewer grit chamber abandonment project to the low bidder, The Oakland Excavating Company of Pontiac, Michigan, in the amount of \$35,751.00; funds to be provided in the current fiscal year budget.

ROLL CALL

AYES: Hartsock, McShane, Mitchell, Bush, Campbell.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PRESENTATION OF SIX-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Administration presented the 2001-2006 Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan for Council consideration.

03-01-400 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Mitchell, to receive and file the Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan 2001-2006. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council commented on the high cost to maintain the City's infrastructure and the continued need to seek increased state funding.

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MISCELLANEOUS

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Anabelle Gabel, Farmington resident, stated she was pleased with the changes to the Founders Festival with regard to bringing back some of the old traditions.

Council welcomed a group of boy scouts to the meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Council member Bush discussed the upcoming fundraiser for Carla Brugnoni, General Manager of Focal Point Studios, who is undergoing treatment for cancer. She encouraged support of this fundraiser to be held on April 27, at 6:30 p.m. at The Mirage in Clinton Township, Michigan.

ADJOURNMENT

03-01-401 MOTION by McShane, seconded by Campbell, to adjourn the meeting.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

WILLIAM S. HARTSOCK, MAYOR

PATSY K. CANTRELL, CITY CLERK/TREASURER