

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on Tuesday, January 18, 2000, 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, Mitchell.

ABSENT: McShane.

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

01-00-026 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Mitchell, to approve the agenda as submitted. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

01-00-027 MOTION by Bush, seconded Mitchell, to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of January 3, 2000 as submitted. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MINUTES OF OTHER BOARDS

01-00-028 MOTION by Mitchell, seconded by Campbell, to receive and file the minutes of the following Boards and Commissions:

- Downtown Development Authority minutes of January 4, 2000.
- Historical Commission minutes of November 17, 1999.
- Beautification Commission minutes of November 10, 1999.
- Farmington Board of Zoning Appeals minutes of December 1, 1999.
- Commission on Children, Youth & Families minutes of December 7, 1999.
- Farmington Area Arts Commission minutes of December 2, 1999.
- Governor Warner Mansion Development Committee minutes of November 17, 1999 and December 15, 1999.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

REQUEST FOR PROCLAMATION: JAYCEE WEEK, JANUARY 16-22, 2000

01-00-029 MOTION by Mitchell, seconded by Bush, to proclaim the week of January 16-22, 2000 as "Farmington Area Junior Chamber of Commerce Week". MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mike Carbone, President of the Jaycees, accepted the proclamation and thanked Council for their support.

REQUEST FOR FENCE VARIANCE, 22404 HAWTHORNE. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Gershov requested a fence variance to install a 6' high stockade or board-on-board fence at 22404 Hawthorne from the rear corner lot of the house out to and parallel to Nine Mile Road. The residence is on a corner lot and the ordinance does not permit fences to be located in these open space areas. The homeowners want to make their yard a safe play area for their children. Administration advised that all property owners within 100' of the applicant were notified of the request and that there was no response. According to the ordinance, a variance can be granted if conditions of the property are unique and present a practical difficulty, or if compliance with provisions of the ordinance would conflict with clearly identifiable and beneficial improvement to public health or safety.

Discussion followed regarding the variance request with Council noting no special hardships to warrant granting a variance.

01-00-030 MOTION by Bush, seconded by Mitchell, to deny a variance to section 13-8(1)a of the City Code to allow a 6' high stockade or board-on-board fence to be installed on the property at 22404 Hawthorne. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**CORRESPONDENCE FROM DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
DIRECTOR JUDY DOWNEY RE: PERMISSION FOR 2000 DOWNTOWN EVENTS.**

Director Downey requested permission to conduct Downtown Development Authority events during the 2000 calendar year, providing Council with a listing of proposed events.

01-00-031 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Bush, to authorize the Farmington Downtown Development Authority to conduct events in the downtown area during the 2000 calendar year and in the manner described and during the dates and times listed in the request. [SEE ATTACHED PROPOSED EVENT SCHEDULE]. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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LETTER FROM WALTER CHRISTENSEN, VETERANS MEMORIAL DAY PARADE CHAIRMAN RE: PARADE PERMIT. Mr. Walter Christensen requested permission to use Grand River for the annual Memorial Day Parade.

01-00-032 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Mitchell, to approve the use of Grand River for the Veteran's Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 29, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; that the State of Michigan, Department of Transportation, be held harmless from any liability resulting from the closing of Grand River and to authorize the Public Safety Department to file for the appropriate permits with the Michigan Department of Transportation. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

CONSIDERATION FOR NEW BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS.

01-00-033 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Bush, to appoint Lynne Loukmas to the Board of Review for a 3-year term expiring December 2003. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

01-00-034 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Mitchell, to appoint Nancy Tashman and Sandra Bartley to fill a 3-year term expiring December 2003 and Lester London to fill an unexpired term ending December 2001 to the Beautification Commission. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSIDERATION OF REAPPOINTMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS.

01-00-035 MOTION by Mitchell, seconded by Bush, to reappoint Kenneth Wallace, Michael J. Kish, and Robert Allen to 2-year terms expiring February 2002 to the Construction Board of Appeals. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

CONSIDERATION TO PURCHASE PICKUP TRUCK FOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES. Administration advised that requests for bids were issued to three dealers for a pickup truck for the Department of Public Services fleet.

01-00-036 MOTION by Bush, seconded by Mitchell, to award a bid for the purchase of a 2000 Ford F350 four-wheel drive pick-up truck to the low bidder, Signature Ford, in the amount of \$26,883.10; funding provided in the FY 1999-2000 budget.

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ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MISCELLANEOUS

PUBLIC COMMENT.

Ed Cleland presented key chains from the Civic Theatre auction to Council, City Clerk, City Manager, Suzanne Paul and Denise Tawyea.

Annabelle Gabel, 23089 Violet, stated that she was happy to attend the Civic Theatre Gala and she commended Council for their denial of the request for a fence variance on Hawthorne Street.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Councilperson Bush reminded Council that Eve Samra was going to be honored at a reception at Farmington Hills on Monday, January 31, 2000 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Councilperson Bush noted that \$470.14 was raised by Council participating in bell ringing for the Salvation Army and that over \$85,000 was raised at the Cornucopia Ball for the Children, Youth and Families Foundation.

Mayor Hartsock stated that City Manager Lauhoff was recognized for his participation in the Farmington/Farmington Hills Call to Action Coalition and Council congratulated Manager Lauhoff.

CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #C-662-2000 TO AMEND PUBLIC PARKING LOT DUMPSTERS REGULATIONS.

01-00-037 MOTION by Mitchell, seconded by Bush, to adopt Ordinance #C-662-2000 to amend Chapter 16, Garbage and Rubbish of the City Code by adding Section 16.25.5, Dumpsters Provided Upon Public Parking Lots. [SEE ATTACHED ORDINANCE].

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ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #C-663-2000 TO AMEND THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT SETBACK REQUIREMENTS.

01-00-038 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Mitchell, to adopt Ordinance #C-663-2000 to amend Chapter 35, City Zoning Code, amending Section 35-162, subsection (i) regulating front yard setbacks in the Central business District. [SEE ATTACHED ORDINANCE].

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #C-664-2000 TO AMEND OUTDOOR LIGHTING.

01-00-039 MOTION by Bush, seconded by Mitchell, to adopt Ordinance #C-664-2000 to amend Chapter 35 of the City Zoning Code amending Section 35-195 Lighting, regarding nonresidential exterior illumination of buildings. [SEE ATTACHED ORDINANCE].

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE #C-665-2000 TO AMEND NON-RESIDENTIAL DUMPSTER REGULATIONS.

01-00-040 MOTION by Mitchell, seconded by Bush, to adopt Ordinance #C-665-2000 to amend Chapter 35 of the Zoning Code adding Section 35-225 Dumpsters, requiring

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that dumpsters be site planned in all nonresidential districts and require screening and gating as determined by the Planning Commission. [SEE ATTACHED ORDINANCE].

ROLL CALL

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT QUARTERLY REPORT - OCTOBER 1, 1999 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1999.

01-00-041 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Bush, to receive and file the Building Department Quarterly Report from October 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT QUARTERLY REPORT - OCTOBER 1, 1999 TO DECEMBER 31, 1999.

01-00-042 MOTION by Mitchell, seconded by Bush, to receive and file the Department of Public Works and Water and Sewer Department Quarterly Report from October 1, 1999 to December 31, 1999. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT

01-00-043 MOTION by Mitchell, seconded by Campbell, to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

WILLIAM S. HARTSOCK, MAYOR

PATSY K. CANTRELL, CITY CLERK/TREASURER