

FARMINGTON CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION
March 19, 2012

A study session of the Farmington City Council was held on Monday, March 19, 2012, 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 6:04 p.m. by Mayor Buck.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Buck, Cowley, Galvin, Kuiken, McShane.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

CITY ADMINISTRATION: City Clerk Halberstadt, City Manager Pastue, Attorney Schultz (arrived 6:13 p.m.), Treasurer Weber (arrived 6:35 p.m.).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

03-12-047 MOTION by McShane, seconded by Cowley, to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REGIONAL COOPERATION – Gary Brown, Detroit City Council President Pro Tem

President Pro Tem Gary Brown provided an update on issues currently facing Detroit. He stated the Detroit City Council is looking for a regional approach to address the City's problems. He cited the success of the regional authorities for the Detroit Zoo and Cobo Hall. He spoke about the number of attractions in Detroit, such as the DIA, that belong to the entire region. He strongly supports the idea of a regional millage.

Discussion followed regarding the revitalization of Detroit's mid-town; the need to privatize some of the City services; the need for greater trust in government; ongoing improvements to the river front; and incubator businesses that are helping to revitalize the downtown.

Council thanked Mr. Brown for meeting with them and providing an update on the challenges facing Detroit.

REVIEW OF ITEMS ON REGULAR AGENDA

PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENT

Treasurer Weber reviewed the proposed amendments to the FY 2011/12 budget.

CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT APPOINTMENTS

Pastue requested the removal of the Corridor Improvement Appointments from the regular meeting agenda to allow more time to confirm candidates.

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RESCHEDULE APRIL 30, 2012 BUDGET WORKSHOP

Pastue advised the April 30, 2012 budget workshop would need to be rescheduled due to a conflict in scheduling of one of the Councilmembers. He will direct his office to send out alternative dates for the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was heard.

COUNCIL COMMENT

Pastue handed out a report on the consolidation of dispatch and inmate housing services. He announced the April 2, 2012 meeting regarding the consolidation has been moved to the auditorium of Farmington High School.

ADJOURNMENT

03-12-048 MOTION by McShane, seconded by Galvin, to adjourn the meeting. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

J.T. (Tom) Buck, Mayor

Susan K. Halberstadt, City Clerk

Approved: April 16, 2012