

Rochester Hills Minutes

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City Council Regular Meeting

Susan M. Bowyer Ph.D., Kevin S. Brown, Dale A. Hetrick, James Kubicina, Stephanie Morita, Mark A. Tisdel and Thomas W. Wiggins

Vision Statement: The Community of Choice for Families and Business

Mission Statement: "Our mission is to sustain the City of Rochester Hills as the premier community of choice to live, work and raise a family by enhancing our vibrant residential character complemented by an attractive business community."

Monday, February 8, 2016

7:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

President Tisdel called the Regular Rochester Hills City Council Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Michigan Time.

ROLL CALL

Present 7 - Susan M. Bowyer, Kevin S. Brown, Dale Hetrick, James Kubicina, Stephanie Morita, Mark A. Tisdel and Thomas W. Wiggins

Others Present:

Ed Anzek, Director of Planning and Economic Development
Bryan Barnett, Mayor
Tina Barton, City Clerk
Ann Christ, Hafeli Staran & Christ, City Attorney
Ramona Johnson, Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Representative
Sara Roediger, Manager of Planning
Allan Schneck, Director of DPS/Engineering
Tamara Williams, Chief Assistant to the Mayor

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Hetrick, seconded by Kubicina, that the Agenda be Approved as Amended to move 2015-0224 Request for Preliminary Site Condominium Plan Approval - Nottingham Woods, a proposed 17-unit, single-family site condominium development on 8.7 acres, located on the north side of Hamlin, east of Livernois, west of Crestline, zoned R-3, One Family Residential to the first item of business under Planning and Economic Development. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ave 7 - Bowyer, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina, Morita, Tisdel and Wiggins

COUNCIL AND YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORTS

Rochester Hills Government Youth Council:

President Tisdel introduced **Ramona Johnson**, Rochester Hills Government Youth Council (RHGYC) Representative. He stated that she is a Sophomore at Rochester High School, carries a 4.0 grade point average and participates in the Marching Band, Drum Line and Concert Ensemble. He noted that she came to the RHGYC as a Freshman, and she is always there when you need her.

Ramona Johnson reported that the RHGYC is planning and organizing their annual 5K Run/Walk for June of this year, with proceeds to benefit the Rainbow Connection. She noted that the group is also planning other projects for the coming year.

Avondale Youth Assistance (AYA):

Vice President Morita announced that the Avondale Youth Assistance is taking nominations for their Youth Awards. Individuals who wish to nominate students who attend Avondale Schools or private or parochial schools within the Avondale District can find a nomination form available on her Facebook page or request one from her by email.

Older Persons' Commission (OPC):

Mr. Hetrick reported that the OPC held its first Annual Review meeting last Thursday. He noted that it was very well attended, and terrific results were reported by the OPC. He stated that in 2015, OPC Transportation Services provided nearly 55,000 trips encompassing 405,000 miles; and the Meals on Wheels service served 92,000 meals. He explained that twenty percent of the OPC's operating funding comes from donations; and he announced that their annual Great Gatsby Charity Gala will be held on April 29, 2016.

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

2015-0224

Request for Preliminary Site Condominium Plan Approval - Nottingham Woods, a proposed 17-unit, single-family site condominium development on 8.7 acres, located on the north side of Hamlin, east of Livernois, west of Crestline, zoned R-3, One Family Residential; Vanguard Equity Management, LLC, Applicant

Attachments: 020816 Agenda Summary.pdf

Giffels Letter 012716.pdf

Map aerial.pdf

Site Plans 012716.pdf Email DiNello 012716.pdf

Letter Vanguard 011316 Neighborhood Mtg.pdf
Neighborhood Info Mtg Distribution List.pdf
012016 Neighborhood Meeting Sign In Sheet.pdf

O11116 Draft CC Min.pdf
O11116 Agenda Summary.pdf
Suppl Presentation 011116.pdf
Site Plans 122315.pdf

Giffels Webster Response Ltr 122115.pdf
Planning Comm Conditions 121715.pdf

Site Plan Review 3 - 121115.pdf Prelim. Staff Report 081415.pdf

Review 2 Comments, EIS, and response.pdf

Letter to Homeowners Revised.pdf

Minutes PC 081815.pdf

PHN 081815.pdf 011116 Resolution (Draft).pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

President Tisdel stated that consideration of the Preliminary Site Plan Approval for Nottingham Woods was postponed by City Council at the January 11, 2016 meeting pending a meeting between the Applicant, residents and City Staff. He noted that the motion made by Mr. Hetrick at the January 11, 2016 meeting was on the table to approve the preliminary site plan, which was seconded by Mr. Kubicina.

Sara Roediger, Manager of Planning, noted that this item was tabled at the last meeting to allow a number of issues raised by residents to be addressed. She stated that a meeting was held on January 13, 2016, along with a follow-up meeting on January 26, 2016 with a resident who could not attend the first meeting. She pointed out that there is no buffer requirement where residential buffers other residential properties; however, the Applicant has met with the neighbors and has voluntarily revised their plans to add additional screening on both the east and west sides to address concerns. She mentioned that there was much discussion regarding the north property line and its relationship to wetlands; and she reported that the Applicant has worked with the residents to ensure that they will be satisfied. She commented that the Planning Commission continues to recommend approval with the changes noted. She pointed out that this is still a preliminary condominium approval, and the project will still proceed through a final process and come back to Council for approval. She stated that stormwater and easements are typically handled at the final site plan approval level.

She noted that the Applicant is here this evening, and she introduced **Michael DiNello**, the property owner, and **Michael Park**, Giffels-Webster Engineers.

Public Comment:

Paul Schira, 227 Parkland, stated that it is his understanding that all issues

have been addressed with the homeowners. He mentioned that in his discussion with the engineers, neighbors remaining concerns regarding retention drainage should be able to be worked out. He commented that he does not see any reason to oppose approval going forward.

Alex Kiwior, 1860 Crestline Road, stated that he has been a resident for over 40 years, and he pointed out that 670 feet of his property borders the proposed Nottingham development. He commented that communications with the developers have been fruitful in the last four weeks and he stated that he would hope that the resulting plans will be carried out when construction begins. He expressed concern regarding the problems he currently has with drainage from the area that will be Lot 17 as the land has a natural depression. He commented that although several City employees and Nottingham personnel have assured him that the problem will be eliminated with the addition of drain pipes within the development, he suspects that the problem may worsen when the development is built. He requested that extra care be expended in reviewing the subdivision drainage. He mentioned that two surveyor monuments located at the southern boundary of his property were removed by the City during the Hamlin Road construction, including the west monument which is the eastern boundary for the Nottingham development. He requested that these monuments be replaced soon. He pointed out that Nottingham personnel are also aware of the need for replacement of these monuments and have stated that they will see what can be done. He requested Council further review the site plans relative to his concerns very carefully.

Mr. Park stated that the Developer has complied with all City requirements relative to drainage. He noted that a storm sewer will be installed, and he feels comfortable that the drainage will be less than what is currently existing and will be rerouted to the detention basin. Relative to the missing monuments, he stated that once the final site plan is approved, they will go out to the site and lay out all property borders to the project.

President Tisdel questioned whether these commitments are known to the Planning Staff and are documented. He commented that per the Codes and City Ordinances, drainage is to be contained within the development entirely.

Ms. Roediger confirmed this. She added that she will follow up with Engineering regarding the monuments, and noted that as a part of the project staking will occur.

Paul Esposito, stated that he is a co-owner of the development, and noted that he addressed Mr. Kiwior's concerns regarding the monument. He stated that he informed Mr. Kiwior that if the monument is not replaced by the City, they will put it in for him.

Mr. Brown expressed his appreciation to the Applicant for attending this evening. He noted that there were concerns expressed during the meetings regarding trees being planted on the north property line.

Ms. Roediger responded that the plantings will be located on the Applicant's property, and will not be installed on the owner's property to the north.

Mr. Brown commented that Council had the feeling from several residents at the January 11, 2016 meeting that they had conflicting responses from the Applicant on some items. He stated that it appears that the conflicts have been resolved.

Dr. Bowyer questioned whether the bordering landscape on the east and west side would be installed sooner rather than later to ensure a buffer.

Mr. DiNello responded that this landscape will be installed during the development process, and he stated that the residents will not have to wait until the homes are built.

Mayor Barnett stated that it is much easier to move something forward knowing that the neighbors and the Applicant have worked together. He commented that this is an example which should be followed by other developers who wish to work in the City.

A motion was made by Hetrick, seconded by Kubicina, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Bowyer, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina, Morita, Tisdel and Wiggins

Enactment No: RES0023-2016

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby approves the Preliminary Site Condominium Plan for Nottingham Woods, a proposed 17-unit, single-family site condominium development on 8.7 acres, located on the north side of Hamlin, east of Livernois, west of Crestline, zoned R-3, One Family Residential, Parcel Nos. 15-22-376-004 and -005, Vanguard Equity Management, Applicant, based on plans dated received by the Planning and Economic Development Department on January 27, 2016 with the following findings and conditions:

Findings:

- 1. Upon compliance with the following conditions, the proposed condominium plan meets all applicable requirements of the zoning ordinance and one-family residential detached condominium.
- 2. Adequate utilities are available to properly serve the proposed development.
- 3. The preliminary plan represents a reasonable street layout.
- 4. The Environmental Impact Statement indicates that the development will not have substantially harmful effects on the environment.
- 5. Remaining items to be addressed on the plans may be incorporated on the final condominium plan without altering the layout of the development.

Conditions:

1. Provide all off-site easements, on-site conservation easement and agreements for approval by the City prior to issuance of a Land Improvement Permit.

- 2. Provide landscape bond in the amount of \$93,049.00 plus inspection fees, prior to issuance of a Land Improvement Permit.
- 3. Provide an irrigation plan and cost estimate, prior to issuance of a Land Improvement Permit.
- 4. Payment of \$3,400 into the tree fund for street trees prior to issuance of a Land Improvement Permit.
- 5. Approval of all required permits and approvals from outside agencies prior to issuance of a Land Improvement Permit.
- 6. Compliance with applicable staff memos, prior to Final Site Condo Plan Approval.
- 7. Compliance with Building Department memo dated July 21, 2015, prior to Building Permit Approval.
- 8. Submittal of By-Laws and Master Deed for the condominium association along with submittal of Final Preliminary Site Condo Plans.

2016-0002

Request for Final Planned Unit Development Agreement Approval - Brampton Parc Condominiums PUD, a proposed 12-unit residential development on 2.93 acres, located on the east side of John R between Hamlin and School Rds., zoned R-4, One Family Residential; 1459 John R, LLC, Applicant

Attachments: 020816 Agenda Summary.pdf

PUD Agreement 010516.pdf Final PUD Staff Report.pdf

Site Plans.pdf

Minutes PC 011916.pdf Minutes PC 102015.pdf Resolution (Draft).pdf

Sara Roediger, Manager of Planning, explained that the project last came before Council in November of 2015. She noted that the Planned Unit Development (PUD) calls for six two-unit duplexes on the north side of School Road, east of John R. She stated that the Planning Commission recommended approval of the Final PUD at their January meeting, and she pointed out that the only change from the preliminary plan that was approved is the addition of more landscape screening. She explained that 15 additional evergreens will be planted along with the conversion of five ornamental trees to evergreens. She commented that the developer will work with the City regarding placement of the evergreens for better screening for the adjacent residents.

She stated that approval of a Wetland Use Permit is also recommended; and she noted that only 0.026 acres and very low quality wetlands will be affected as determined by the City's Environmental Consultant, ASTI Environmental. She stated that the development meets all Ordinances. She mentioned that Mr. Hetrick pointed out that dates contained in Recitals J and K of the PUD Agreement presented were incorrect, and she stated that these will be corrected to reflect the final PUD approvals.

Dr. Bowyer questioned when the buffer landscape would be installed, noting that the intention is to screen the neighboring windows.

Jim Polyzois, in attendance representing the Applicant, responded that the buffer landscape would be installed before construction begins for the units.

Mr. Hetrick expressed his thanks for corrections to the dates in the PUD.

A motion was made by Hetrick, seconded by Bowyer, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Bowyer, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina, Morita, Tisdel and Wiggins

Enactment No: RES0022-2016

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby approves the PUD Agreement for Brampton Parc Condominiums, a 12-unit residential development on 2.93 acres, located on the east side of John R between Hamlin and School Rds., zoned R-4, One Family Residential, Parcel No. 15-24-301-052, 1459 John R, LLC, Applicant, based on the PUD Agreement dated received by the Planning and Economic Development Department on January 5, 2016 with the following findings and subject to the following conditions:

Findings:

- 1. The proposed Final PUD Agreement is consistent with the proposed intent and criteria of the PUD option.
- 2. The proposed Final PUD Agreement is consistent with the approved PUD Concept Plan.
- 3. The PUD will not create an unacceptable impact on public utility and circulation systems, surrounding properties, or the environment.
- 4. The proposed PUD promotes the goals and objectives of the Master Plan as they relate to providing varied housing for the residents of the City.
- 5. The proposed plan provides appropriate transition between the existing land uses surrounding the property.

Conditions:

- 1. The appropriate sheets from the approved final plan set shall be attached to the PUD agreement as exhibits, including the building elevations.
- 2. All other conditions specifically listed in the agreement shall be met prior to final approval by City staff.

2015-0392

Request for Final Planned Unit Development (PUD) Site Plan Approval - Brampton Parc Condominiums PUD, a proposed 12-unit residential development on 2.93 acres, located on the east side of John R between Hamlin and School Rds., zoned R-4, One Family Residential, 1459 John R, LLC, Applicant

Attachments: 020816 Agenda Summarv.pdf

Map aerial.pdf

Final PUD Staff Report.pdf
Review Comments Final.pdf

Site Plans.pdf

Revised Landscape Plan.pdf

Revised Elevations.pdf

Floor Plans.pdf

Minutes PC 011916.pdf Minutes PC 102015.pdf 110915 Agenda Summary.pdf

Staff Report 102015.pdf
Review Comments.pdf

Brampton Parc EIS 10-1-15.pdf

Brampton Parc EIS 10-1-15.pd

PUD Site Plans.pdf
PUD Eng. Plans.pdf

Letter Design Team 102615.pdf
Landscape Plan Aerial.pdf
Minutes PC 021715.pdf
110915 Resolution (Draft).pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

Sara Roediger, Manager of Planning, pointed out that the Final Site Plan includes the additional landscaping.

A motion was made by Wiggins, seconded by Brown, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ave 7 - Bowyer, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina, Morita, Tisdel and Wiggins

Enactment No: RES0024-2016

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby approves the Final Site Plan for Brampton Parc Condominiums PUD, a 12-unit residential development on 2.93 acres, located on the east side of John R between Hamlin and School Rds., zoned R-4, One-Family Residential, Parcel No. 15-24-301-052, 1459 John R, LLC, Applicant, based on plans dated received by the Planning and Economic Development Department on December 22, 2015 with the following findings and subject to the following conditions:

Findings:

- 1. The site plan and supporting documents demonstrate that all applicable requirements of the Zoning Ordinance, as well as other City ordinances, standards and requirements can be met subject to the conditions noted below.
- 2. The location and design of driveways providing vehicular ingress to and egress from the site will promote safety and convenience of both vehicular and pedestrian traffic both within the site and on the adjoining street.
- 3. There will be a satisfactory and harmonious relationship between the development on the site and the existing and prospective development of contiguous land and adjacent neighborhoods.
- 4. The proposed development does not have an unreasonably detrimental, nor an injurious, effect upon the natural characteristics and features of the parcels being developed and the larger area of which the parcels are a part.

5. The proposed Final Plan promotes the goals and objectives of the Master Plan.

Conditions:

- 1. Provision of a performance guarantee in the amount of \$49,810.00 plus inspection fees, as adjusted if necessary by the City, to ensure the proper installation of trees and landscaping. Such guarantee to be provided by the applicant prior to issuance of a Land Improvement Permit.
- 2. Payment of \$200 per lot into the City's Tree Fund (\$2,400.00).
- 3. Address all applicable comments from City departments and outside agency review letters, prior to final approval by staff.
- 4. The existing concept plan zoning site plan, Sheet SP-1.1 shall be removed from the subject plans, prior to final approval by staff.

2015-0551

Request for Approval of a Wetland Use Permit - for permanent impacts to approximately 1,128 square feet of wetland area for Brampton Parc Condominiums PUD, a proposed 12-unit residential development on 2.93 acres, located on the east side of John R, between Hamlin and School, zoned R-4, One Family Residential, 1459 John R, LLC, Applicant

Attachments: 020816 Agenda Summary.pdf

Final PUD Staff Report.pdf 010516 ASTI Rev.pdf

Site Plans.pdf PHN.pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

Sara Roediger, Manager of Planning, explained that the wetland use permit pertains to a small area on the southern end of the property where the retention basin will be installed. She stated that it is a low quality wetland, and she noted that Staff recommends approval of the wetland use permit.

A motion was made by Kubicina, seconded by Hetrick, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Bowyer, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina, Morita, Tisdel and Wiggins

Enactment No: RES0025-2016

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby approves a Wetland Use Permit for impacts to approximately 1,128 square feet for construction of the storm sewer detention basin for Brampton Parc Condominiums PUD, a 12-unit residential development on 2.93 acres, located on the east side of John R, between Hamlin and School Rds., zoned R-4, One Family Residential, Parcel No. 15-24-301-052, 1459 John R. LLC, Applicant, based on plans dated received by the Planning and Economic Development Department on December 22, 2015 with the following findings and conditions:

Findings:

1. Of the approximately 0.02 acre of City-regulated wetlands on site, the applicant is proposing to impact approximately the same amount of wetlands.

2. The wetland areas are of low quality, both in functional value and floristic diversity and should not be considered a vital natural resource to the City.

Conditions:

- 1. That the applicant receives all applicable DEQ permits prior to issuance of a Land Improvement Permit.
- 2. That the applicant provides a detailed soil erosion plan with measures sufficient to ensure ample protection of wetlands areas, prior to issuance of a Land Improvement Permit.
- 3. That ASTI verifies that condition 2.a from its September 17, 2015 letter is addressed, prior to final approval by city staff.

PUBLIC COMMENT for Items not on the Agenda

Robert Kendig, 2484 Wortham Drive, stated that he recently watched four hours of testimony before a Congressional subcommittee regarding the clean water issue in Flint, Michigan. He commented that he noticed that the subcommittee members were upset as the Governor did not attend, and they noted that the State official who was newly appointed to his role attended the hearing rather than the individual who was responsible for the problem. He stated that during commentary on the Oil and Gas issue last year, the City referred to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality's (MDEQ) assurance that the drilling process would be safe; and he noted the MDEQ's role in Flint. He pointed out that it is estimated that \$60 million to \$1.5 billion will be required to fix Flint's problems. He suggested that the City needs to send someone to Lansing to stress that drilling for oil in Rochester Hills is stupid, and he commented that Lansing should be very receptive to that argument at this point.

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion, without discussion. If any Council Member or Citizen requests discussion of an item, it will be removed from Consent Agenda for separate discussion.

2016-0045 Approval of Minutes - City Council Special Meeting - January 11, 2016

Attachments: CC Special Mtg Min 011116.pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0026-2016

Resolved, that the Minutes of a Rochester Hills City Council Special Meeting held on January 11, 2016 be approved as presented.

2016-0046 Approval of Minutes - City Council Regular Meeting - January 11, 2016

Attachments: CC Min 011116.pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0027-2016

Resolved, that the Minutes of a Rochester Hills City Council Regular Meeting held on

January 11, 2016 be approved as presented.

2016-0047 Approval of Minutes - City Council Regular Meeting - January 25, 2016

Attachments: CC Min 012516.pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0028-2016

Resolved, that the Minutes of a Rochester Hills City Council Regular Meeting held on

January 25, 2016 be approved as presented.

2016-0029 Request for Purchase Authorization - DPS/ENG: Agreement for monitoring the

City's Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system in the amount of \$24,624.00 through December 31, 2017 with a two-year option to renew;

Oakland County Department of Facilities Management, Waterford, MI

Attachments: 020816 Agenda Summary.pdf

Agreement.pdf
Resolution (Draft).pdf

This Matter was Adopted by Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: RES0029-2016

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes the Agreement between Oakland County Department of Facilities Management and the City of Rochester Hills to monitor the Rochester Hills Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system in the amount of \$24,624.00 through December 31, 2017 with a two-year option to renew and further authorizes the Mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.

Passed the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Brown, seconded by Morita, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Bowyer, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina, Morita, Tisdel and Wiggins

LEGISLATIVE & ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

Mayor Barnett announced the following:

- The City recently won three awards, with DPS receiving recognition for the Tienken Road Roundabout at Livernois, the Clinton River Trail Resurfacing

Project, and the Christian Hills Watermain Replacement Project. The Christian Hills project employed a pipe bursting method for replacement, which resulted in a project that finished ahead of schedule and under budget.

- Installation of new box span traffic signals at the intersection of Avon and Rochester Roads will be completed in the next couple of weeks. Single lane closures will continue at in that intersection until the installation is finished.
- The Parks and Recreation Master Plan public review period is ongoing. The City has received over 500 responses to its survey, which is significantly more than for previous plans. Two themes have resonated in the survey responses: desires for a splash pad and a dog park. The Plan will come back to the Planning Commission for a Public Hearing scheduled for February 16, 2016, and to City Council for approval on February 22, 2016. Approval of the Plan is required by March 1, 2016 in order for the City to be eligible for the April 1 grant period.
- The press has covered the news of the progress of Riverbend Park plans. The concept was presented in front of four or five significant donors, who have been overwhelmingly receptive. Michigan Department of Natural Resources personnel were on site this past week, and officials expressed interest in helping to advance the project.
- Ken Elwert has been named the new Director of Parks and Forestry. Mr. Elwert most recently held positions as Parks Director for Independence Township and for Lapeer. It is expected that he will be introduced at the next Council meeting.
- The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Center has been overwhelmingly supportive of the people of Flint, and have sent over 100,000 bottles of water to help them in their need for bottled water.
- Mayor Barnett attended the U.S. Conference of Mayors in Washington, D.C., leading a delegation of water experts as they discussed the challenges in Flint and how it relates to infrastructure investment. Flint's water and sewer system is similar to the City's as an Enterprise Fund. At this point, 80 percent of Flint's residents are not paying their water bills; while usage has not dropped.
- Twelve schools in the Rochester Hills area have been named to RecycleBank's Green Schools Program. Residents can go online to RecycleBank.com's website and donate their recycling points to these schools, which will translate to monetary awards. Over \$20,000 has been donated to local schools over the past four years to advance Green programs.

President Tisdel responded to Public Comment regarding oil and gas drilling, noting that he has had a number of conversations with State Representative Michael Webber, who is sensitive to the issue and has sponsored and co-sponsored legislation dealing with oil drilling in communities.

Dr. Bowyer expressed her thanks to those Council Members who visited the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Center on Saturday to help with water bottle collection for Flint. She noted that the Center continues to be open from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. during the week to collect any water donations.

Mr. Hetrick thanked the Ahmadiyya Muslim community for their efforts to help the people of Flint and encouraged residents to make a water donation. He mentioned the award received regarding the Clinton River Trail Resurfacing project, noting that the trail is a gem in the community.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

President Tisdel introduced Ann Christ, attorney with Hafeli, Staran & Christ, who was in attendance as City Attorney John Staran could not attend this evening.

Ms. Christ stated that she has been working with Mr. Staran since 2005. She noted that she handles the prosecutions for Rochester Hills.

NOMINATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

2015-0545

Nomination/Appointment of one (1) Citizen Representative to the Green Space Advisory Board, to fill the unexpired term of Thomas Neveau ending December 31, 2016

Attachments: 020816 Agenda Summary (Revised).pdf

020816 Agenda Summary.pdf

Appointment Form.pdf

Lyons CQ.pdf

Stephens CQ.pdf

012516 Agenda Summary.pdf

Nomination Form.pdf
Suppl Granader CQ.pdf
Mazur-Abeare CQ.pdf
McGunn CQ.pdf

Muenk CQ.pdf Nachtman CQ.pdf Van Dusen CQ.pdf Notice of Vacancy.pdf

121415 Agenda Summary.pdf Neveau Resignation.pdf 121415 Resolution.pdf Resolution (Draft).pdf

President Tisdel noted that nominee Kelly Lyons contacted the Clerk's Office on February 3, 2016 to ask that her name be removed from consideration, leaving Terry Stephens as the sole nominee. He requested a motion to appoint Ms. Stephens.

A motion was made by Brown, seconded by Bowyer, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ave 7 - Bowyer, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina, Morita, Tisdel and Wiggins

Enactment No: RES0030-2016

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council appoints Terry Stephens to the Green Space Advisory Board, to fill the unexpired term of Thomas Neveau ending December 31, 2016.

2016-0023

Nomination/Appointment of one (1) Citizen Representative to the Historic Districts Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Sue Thomasson ending December 31, 2017

Attachments: 020816 Agenda Summary.pdf

Appointment Form.pdf

Hill CQ.pdf McKinnon CQ.pdf

Reina CQ.pdf

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Nomination Form.pdf HDC Appt Memo.pdf

Deel CQ.pdf

Mazur-Abeare CQ.pdf

McGunn CQ.pdf

Olson CQ.pdf

Sykes CQ.pdf

Notice of Vacancy.pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

President Tisdel noted that Melinda Hill, Susan McKinnon and Steve Reina were nominated at the January 25, 2016 City Council Meeting. He called for Public Comment on this, and the next Appointment item.

Public Comment:

Steve Reina, 162 Stratford, stated that he is a local attorney, and expressed his appreciation for Council's consideration of his interest and desire to get involved. He commented that he has served in other capacities and is familiar with some of the legal issues that would have bearing on what the Commission has to deal with. He noted that the most important part of engaging in a dispute is knowing when one does not need to engage in one. He stated that as long as Council has an Appointee that they are satisfied with, the community will be a winner.

Susan McKinnon, 134 Foxboro Drive, stated that she applied for consideration for the Historic Districts Commission and Study Committee as she has been a volunteer at the Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm, working every week giving tours. She commented that she has developed a love and interest in the history of the area, and commented that if appointed to either of the positions held by Sue Thomasson, she would have big shoes to fill. She mentioned that she was active in Birmingham when she lived there, and continues to be active in other volunteer positions.

Devin Sykes, 2470 Melvin, stated that he moved to Rochester Hills in 2012 from Pensacola, Florida. He commented that while he does not have as much experience as the other nominees, he is extremely passionate about the City's history. He noted that he shared an apartment on Tienken Road near Rochester Road: and once he could afford his own rental, he rented a small house in the Brooklands Subdivision. He commented that cheaper older properties have allowed him to move into the City and to appreciate the city for what it is. He stated that the south side of the city is home to many Millenials and younger families who are living in older homes. He commented that he owes it to the City to protect these houses. He explained that he is currently going to Oakland University to obtain his Master's Degree, and would like the opportunity to protect some of the historic properties here. He mentioned that he originally wrote a letter to the City

regarding the property at 820 E. Auburn Road, prior to knowing that the property will become the new home of a daycare center.

President Tisdel called for a vote between the nominees for the Historic Districts Commission:

The nominees received the following votes:

Melinda Hill: Bowyer

Steve Reina: Tisdel, Morita, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina and Wiggins

President Tisdel called for a motion to appoint Steve Reina to the Historic Districts Commission.

Mr. Brown expressed his appreciation to the candidates who took the time to come out tonight, noting that three of the four nominees were in attendance. He encouraged those not selected to keep looking for opportunities to get involved and continue applying for City Boards, Commissions and Committees.

Mr. Hetrick expressed his thanks to the nominees, stating that he appreciated their perspective. He stated that their passion helps the city to move along.

Mayor Barnett commented that it is unusual to have three of the four people nominated for appointment in attendance.

Mr. Kubicina echoed Council's comments and expressed thanks to Ms. McKinnon for her volunteer service at the Museum. He stated that Mr. Sykes should have plenty of opportunities to be appointed to a committee and encouraged him to keep applying.

A motion was made by Morita, seconded by Hetrick, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Bowyer, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina, Morita, Tisdel and Wiggins

Enactment No: RES0031-2016

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council appoints Steve Reina to the Historic Districts Commission, to fill the unexpired term of Sue Thomasson ending December 31, 2017.

2016-0024 Nomination/Appointment of one (1) Citizen Representative to the Historic Districts Study Committee, to fill the unexpired term of Sue Thomasson ending December 31, 2017

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Appointment Form.pdf McKinnon CQ.pdf Sykes CQ.pdf

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Nomination Form.pdf
HDSC Appt Memo.pdf
Mazur-Abeare CQ.pdf
Neveau CQ.pdf
Notice of Vacancy.pdf
Resolution (Draft).pdf

President Tisdel noted that Susan McKinnon and Devin Sykes were nominated at the January 25, 2016 Council Meeting. He called for a vote for one of the nominees.

The nominees received the following votes:

Susan McKinnon: Tisdel, Morita, Hetrick and Kubicina

Devin Sykes: Bowyer, Brown and Wiggins

President Tisdel called for a motion to appoint Susan McKinnon to the Historic Districts Study Committee.

See also Legislative File 2016-0023.

A motion was made by Hetrick, seconded by Kubicina, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Bowyer, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina, Morita, Tisdel and Wiggins

Enactment No: RES0032-2016

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council appoints Susan McKinnon to the Historic Districts Study Committee, to fill the unexpired term of Sue Thomasson ending December 31, 2017.

NEW BUSINESS

2016-0044

Request for Purchase Authorization - DPS/ENG: Blanket Purchase Order for As Needed Construction Inspection Services in the amount not-to-exceed \$150,000.00 through December 31, 2016; Spalding DeDecker Associates, Rochester Hills, MI

Attachments: 020816 Agenda Summary.pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

Allan Schneck, Director of DPS/Engineering, explained that the revenue for the as-needed construction inspection services are a pass-through expense, with services rendered on private projects. He stated that there are many things in the planning process, and the City does not have staff that can provide this coverage. He noted that services are critical to ensure that infrastructure, assets and appurtenances are installed correctly.

A motion was made by Wiggins, seconded by Brown, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Bowyer, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina, Morita, Tisdel and Wiggins

Enactment No: RES0033-2016

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council hereby authorizes a Blanket Purchase Order to Spalding DeDecker Associates, Rochester Hills, Michigan for as needed construction inspection services in the amount not-to-exceed \$150,000.00 through December 31, 2016.

2016-0049

Request for Adoption of a Resolution to accept the resident-signed petitions for the proposed paving of Kingsview Avenue and Bolinger Street and request the Department of Public Services commence with the preparation of an Engineer's Report

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Bolinger District.pdf

Bolinger SAD Petition Verification Report.pdf

Kingsview Avenue SAD Petition Verification Report.pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

Allan Schneck, Director of DPS/Engineering, requested Council formally recognize that petitions have been signed for both Kingsview Avenue and Bolinger Street for the paving of their gravel roads, and approve the Department's moving forward with preparation of the engineering report.

Council Discussion:

Vice President Morita stated that there have been discussions and emails going back and forth regarding this item and requested Mr. Schneck explain what the anticipated costs will be for the 37 homes involved.

Mr. Schneck stated that 37 buildable lots would be assessed per the City's Special Assessment District (SAD) Policy, which caps the assessments at \$5,000 per buildable lot. He noted that the Policy came through the Public Safety and Infrastructure Technical Review Committee and was adopted by City Council. He explained that the process includes a public information meeting with the residents to answer their questions. He pointed out that this is the preliminary part of the process to accept the petitions and signatures and have the DPS Staff move into the preparation of an engineering report. He explained that from there, plans and specifications will be developed and anticipated costs formulated through an engineer's estimate, which is outlined in the next Agenda Item. He pointed out that the City recently went through the same process for the Norton Lawn and Hickory Lawn SADs, which has gone through a bidding process yields the potential cost per lot.

Vice President Morita stated that from what she can tell, the cost for this particular project will be approximately a million dollars. She pointed out that the City has other projects to find funding for, including the Fire Station Renovation Projects. She questioned whether it has been explored where the funding will come for this particular project.

Mr. Schneck responded that the two funds that could potentially provide the funding are the Local Street Fund and/or the General Fund.

Vice President Morita questioned whether there was a line item in the budget for the project.

Mr. Schneck responded that there is a Special Assessment District line item, which includes \$200,000 budgeted as seed money placed to address any potential SAD projects. He mentioned that the City is beginning to garner more interest in SADs.

Vice President Morita questioned whether there is a cost to prepare the DPS engineer's report for this item.

Mr. Schneck responded that the Paul Davis, City Engineer, prepares the report, which is generic in nature and highlights the process. He also details the existing geometrics of the road along with current drainage. He stated that it is nothing outside of the expense the Department would incur.

Vice President Morita pointed out that when a subdivision comes in to request an SAD, there is no funding source. She stated that the assessment is capped at a \$5,000 contribution. She noted that the total cost is estimated at approximately \$29,000 per house, the City would carry the remaining \$24,000 of the cost. She commented that City resources will be expended when it is not known whether there will be money to pay for the project.

Mr. Schneck stated that the process is somewhat unpredictable, as there were no SADs for the last 15 to 20 years. He noted that as the economy has improved, residents are more willing to commit the \$5,000 to have their road improved. He commented that the City could include a million dollars during the budgeting sessions which might never be expended. He noted that funding would be placed in the appropriate line item through a Budget Amendment.

Vice President Morita stated that she would be willing to support accepting the petitions at this time; however, she would like for language to be added to the resolution that requires Staff to provide Council with an additional understanding of the funding sources and funding options for the project before Council commits any other funds or expenses toward the project.

She likened it to a homeowner who does not have an architect draw up plans for a house unless there is a budget to pay for the house. She stated that the request is to approve drafting plans and spending resources to build a road when it is not known if the City has the money or the willingness to pay for it. She commented that Council must ensure that the City has the money available, and that it is willing to spend that money prior to committing resources to the project.

She stated that she would be willing to move the motion in the packet with the additional language in the resolution.

Mr. Hetrick questioned whether funding sources had been identified at the time

that petitions were accepted for the Hickory Lawn and Norton Lawn projects.

Mr. Schneck responded they were not. He pointed out that there was a \$200,000 budgeted line item to move that SAD forward. He stated that it is a little challenging and while the Administration could be conservative and place a million dollars in the budget, it has been the Administration's preference to see where the bids come in and then come back to Council with the appropriate dollar amount.

Mr. Hetrick questioned whether Vice President Morita wishes to identify the amount for the construction, or the amount that would be seeded through the SAD budget line item. He noted that the SAD line item would pay for the engineering costs.

Vice President Morita stated that the SAD budget line item only has \$200,000 allocated. She stated that there is no point in paying for the engineering if Council does not wish to pay \$1 million for the project. She noted that the City has projects in front of it, including a Fire Station and a Park to be constructed. She commented that those 37 homeowners are no less important than any other homeowner; however, public safety must come first. She stated that she wished to ensure that funding is available to pay for the Fire Station before funds are spent on a project where the funding source has not been identified and the City may not proceed with the project. She stated that she would be willing to support moving forward if the funding source is identified.

Mr. Hetrick questioned how adding Vice President Morita's condition would change the path moving forward.

Mr. Schneck responded that for the current agenda item it would not affect the path much. He explained that there is a very limited expense by Mr. Davis to put the engineering report together, as it consists of summarizing the conditions of the road including the geometrics and drainage. He noted that the next agenda item requests Council approve entering into an agreement for engineering services for Kingsview and Bolinger.

Mr. Hetrick questioned whether the addition of that condition would likely table the next agenda item.

Mr. Schneck responded that it could. He pointed out that the City expends resources to take care of gravel roads, undertaking dust control during dry summer times and grading during wet times. He stated that new developments go through building, safety and engineering. He pointed out that assets in and around a development are the City's in perpetuity; and he noted that since he came to the City there are more miles of watermain, sewer, roads and pathways to take care of, while the Department has not garnered more staff. He stated that the City is doing its best to allocate its staff appropriately to provide an adequate level of service. If a road can be paved, the staff time of two people a couple of days out of a month could be allocated to another need. He stated that if it is acceptable to Council, he would like to add some other reasoning and basis for paving gravel roads.

- **Mr. Hetrick** questioned whether the project would actually happen in 2016, given the SAD process.
- Mr. Schneck responded that it would likely take the project into 2017.
- Mr. Hetrick commented that it would not require a budget amendment at this time.
- Mr. Schneck confirmed that it would not.
- **Mr. Hetrick** stated that he is not happy with the idea of adding the condition to the approval.
- **Mr. Wiggins** stated that the process is started based on petitions, and \$200,000 is currently allocated in the SAD fund. He questioned whether the amount included in the engineering report of \$873,000 is a good estimate of the cost.
- **Mr. Schneck** responded that it is conservative, as not all of the details are known yet to provide a more detailed engineer's estimate. He noted that estimates typically contain more details, including contingencies and mobilization based on actual construction cost.
- Mr. Wiggins questioned whether it would be as much as 50 percent off.
- Mr. Schneck responded that it would not be.
- *Mr. Wiggins* questioned whether Mr. Davis' report will cover those costs or if it will only provide information on the road itself without going into detail on costs.
- **Mr. Schneck** responded that it would be a broad look at the existing conditions of the road. He noted that the next agenda item provides for the engineering services to perform the survey, determine the horizontal alignment, and undertake soil borings to determine the cross section necessary such as whether any undercutting would be required or if the existing surface is good.
- Mr. Wiggins commented that the costs must be quantified as approval of the \$75,000 should not be granted if it is determined that the project will not be undertaken. He added that funding sources should be identified. He noted that annual soft costs should also be quantified, including those that the City incurs in maintaining the current gravel road.
- **Mr. Kubicina** questioned whether all 37 property owners agree with the paving plan.
- Mr. Schneck responded that while it is a high majority, it is not 100 percent.
- Mr. Kubicina noted that the maximum assessment is \$5,000.
- Mr. Schneck responded that \$5,000 is the assessment cap. He explained that

the intent is to achieve somewhere between a sixty-forty split, with 60 percent of the cost borne by the City and 40 percent by the homeowner. He mentioned that it depends on the industry and the project timing, and he stated that Engineering has done an exceptional job in getting plans and specifications to the point where they can be advertised and let in December and January to hopefully provide more favorable unit pricing. He noted that the contractors are beginning to gear up for their construction seasons and want to know what they will have for April. He mentioned that there are other influences on demand, including the new Red Wings Arena and a \$185 million school bond issuance for infrastructure and school improvements. He commented that communities sometimes compete within their own industry for contractors and materials. He stated that it is hard to predict when an estimate of \$873,000 is considered conservative today; however, once the project is let, industry capacity and competition will affect pricing.

Dr. Bowyer commented that it has been a while since the City did an SAD. She questioned whether the Norton Lawn and Hickory Lawn SAD utilized the \$200,000 line item from last year or this year.

Mr. Schneck responded that the City would have expended the professional engineering from last year's line item. He explained that another \$200,000 was budgeted for this year.

Dr. Bowyer questioned whether the roads are comparable between the two projects.

Mr. Schneck responded that bids for Hickory Lawn and Norton Lawn came in at approximately \$828,000 for both. He stated that you cannot compare road to road, and he noted that Norton Lawn and Hickory Lawn are straight as an arrow and have no vertical grade differences. He pointed out that Kingsview is a big horseshoe, could present grading issues going into driveways, and could result in different drainage issues. He added that site distances must be considered as well. He stated that no two streets are alike.

Dr. Bowyer questioned whether it would be possible to hold this project off until next year for completion in 2018 in order to have the City complete the Norton Lawn and Hickory Lawn SAD. She commented that there is only so much money in the General Fund to undertake all projects at the same time.

Mr. Schneck stated that this would be a 2017 project. He explained that the intent is to complete Hickory Lawn and Norton Lawn this year. He commented that the Administration would try to appropriate a line item to cover the cost in Budget. He noted that people signed the petitions in good faith that the City would be following the policy. He commented that it would be Council's decision to suspend or push the projects out further.

Mr. Brown questioned whether the Local Road Fund would generally be the target for this activity, with the General Fund as a backup.

Mr. Schneck responded that this is correct.

Mr. Brown commented that the Local Road Fund cannot be used to fund the Fire Station.

Mr. Schneck confirmed that it could not.

Vice President Morita pointed out that while the Local Road Fund cannot be used for the Fire Station Project, the City is also not contributing extra money from the General Fund to Local Roads because it is being used to pay for the Fire Station Improvements. She stated that the Local Road Fund will be smaller, and this is why she would like the funding sources identified. She commented that if it can be quantified that paving the road will save \$100,000 a year in maintenance costs, trucks and personnel, it would make a decision based on the business case much easier. She stated that the City should be reviewing the SAD policy including the \$5,000 cap. She commented that there are ways to have this affordable, yet palatable to City Council. She suggested that the Public Safety and Infrastructure Technical Review Committee review the SAD policy.

Mr. Brown questioned whether the motion on the table means that a yes vote on this would translate to a no vote on the next item.

President Tisdel responded that essentially that is what it means. He stated that it would then be his recommendation to postpone the next agenda item pending additional information. He commented that Council is sensitive to recent cost overruns, and he noted that there is an SAD currently in process where the City will be incurring more than 60 percent of the cost. He noted that Staff did a great job during the recession with the City's funds and he stated that he would like to guard the City's Fund Balances. He commented that on the other hand, the City has a commitment to its residents based on the adopted policy. He stated that he would like to see more creative timing and a better understanding of the funding sources prior to moving on with the SAD process.

Mr. Hetrick questioned whether approving this item with the condition added will allow the City's in-house engineer to prepare his report.

President Tisdel confirmed that it would.

A motion was made by Morita, seconded by Bowyer, that this matter be Adopted by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ave 7 - Bowyer, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina, Morita, Tisdel and Wiggins

Enactment No: RES0034-2016

Whereas, the City of Rochester Hills has received petitions requesting the City to create a special assessment district for the purpose of paving on Kingsview Avenue and Bolinger Street; and

Whereas, the City Clerk has referred the petitions to the City Assessor, who has checked the petitions to determine whether they conform to the requirements of Section 90-62 of the Code of Ordinances and has submitted his petition verification report to the Mayor;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Rochester Hills City Council does hereby

accept the petitions to create a special assessment district for the purpose of paving on Kingsview Avenue and Bolinger Street; and

Further Resolved, that the Mayor be and is hereby requested to refer this matter to the Department of Public Services for preparation of the City Engineer's report in accordance with and containing all the information prescribed in Section 90-63 of the Code of Ordinances.

Further Resolved, that Staff provide to Council an additional understanding of the funding sources and funding options for the project prior to Council's commitment of any other funds or expenses toward the project.

2016-0048

Request for Purchase Authorization - DPS/ENG: Blanket Purchase Order/Contract for engineering design for the proposed special assessment district paving of Kingsview Avenue between Livernois and Springwood and Bolinger Street between Avon and to approximately 750 feet north of Avon in the not-to-exceed amount of \$75,986.00; Nowak & Fraus Engineers, Pontiac,

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Nowak & Fraus SAD Proposal.pdf

Resolution (Draft).pdf

President Tisdel noted that it would be his recommendation to postpone this agenda item until Council hears back from Staff and becomes more comfortable with the SAD process and funding, and how the project will impact Local Roads and the Fire Station Project.

Mr. Hetrick questioned whether the SAD funds currently allocated in the budget will cover this expenditure once the item comes back for approval.

Mr. Schneck responded that it would; however, he noted that the SAD budget line item will have a Budget Amendment to cover the cost of the Norton Lawn and Hickory Lawn projects.

Mr. Hetrick commented that construction is a different set of funds.

Mr. Schneck responded that \$200,000 would cover this portion of the process.

A motion was made by Morita, seconded by Wiggins, that this matter be Postponed by Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Bowyer, Brown, Hetrick, Kubicina, Morita, Tisdel and Wiggins

Resolved, that the Request for Purchase Authorization for a Blanket Purchase Order/Contract for engineering design for the proposed special assessment district paving of Kingsview Avenue between Livernois and Springwood and Bolinger Street between Avon and to approximately 750 feet north of Avon in the not-to-exceed amount of \$75,986.00 is Postponed by Resolution pending Council's receipt of information from Staff regarding funding options and the impact the project will have to the City's Fund Balances.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Barnett distributed newly-printed sponsorship guides for events and happenings in Rochester Hills.

City Clerk Tina Barton announced that she had nominated Christine Wissbrun, Administrative Aide in the Clerk's Office, for recognition as National Notary of the Year. She noted that she received an email this evening that Ms. Wissbrun has been selected as one of the top five notaries in the nation, and will attend the National Notary Association's conference in Anaheim, California, at the Association's expense. The winner will be announced at the Conference Banquet.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Regular Meeting - Monday, February 22, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before C meeting at 8:40 p.m.	ouncil, President Tisdel adjourned the
MARK A. TISDEL, President Rochester Hills City Council	
TINA BARTON, MMC, Clerk City of Rochester Hills	
MARY JO PACHLA Administrative Secretary City Clerk's Office	_