



**CITY OF AUBURN HILLS**  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 6, 2023

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor McDaniel at 7:00 PM.

**LOCATION:** Council Chamber, 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills MI

Present: Mayor McDaniel, Council Members Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, Verbeke

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Tanghe, Assistant City Manager Skopek, City Attorney Ballantyne, City Clerk Pierce, Police Chief Gagnon, Fire Chief Massingill, Community Development Director Cohen, DPW Director Baldante, Mgr of Fleet & Roads Hefner, Mgr of Municipal Properties Wisser, Director of Senior Services Adcock, Volunteer Services Specialist Ries, Deputy Treasurer Vittone, Management Assistant Hagge, Engineers Juidici & Driesenga

10 Guests

A workshop session was held prior to the regular City Council meeting at 5:30 PM. Workshop Topic: Policy Discussion on Naming Public Buildings, Structures, Roads, etc.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

4a. City Council Regular Meeting Minutes, January 23, 2023.

**Moved by Knight, Seconded by Carrier.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes, January 23, 2023.**

**VOTE: Yes: Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 23.02.011**

**Motion Carried (7- 0)**

**5. APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

The State of the Community introduction video was presented.

5a. Introduction of Renee Ries, Volunteer Services Specialist.

Ms. Adcock introduced Renee Ries and shared her enthusiasm for her to join the Senior Services Team.

5b. Fourth Quarter Investment Report Presentation by Brian Green, AndCo.

5b1. Motion – To receive and file the Fourth Quarter, 2022 Cash Management Investment Performance Report.

Mr. Vittone presented Mr. Green of AndCo to present the Fourth Quarter Investment Report.

Mr. Green stated that every bond in the portfolio is backed by the full faith and credit of the Federal Government is as safe as it can be. He stated that 60% of the portfolio will mature in the next two years and

that 84% will mature in the next three years, so any loss that is reported now, will be gone. He added that as the bonds mature, they will show a profit. The full report can be found in the City Council Packet.

**Moved by Carrier, Seconded by Knight.**

**RESOLVED: To receive and file the Fourth Quarter, 2022 Cash Management Investment Performance Report.**

**VOTE: Yes: Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 23.02.012**

**Motion Carried (7- 0)**

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Kiana Hughes, business owner at 3312 Auburn Road shared her concerns regarding parking issues with other employees of the downtown businesses.

A member of the Boy Scouts presented his concerns with the pickleball courts and the potential for creating designated times for students to play on the weekends.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Knight removed the following items from the Consent Agenda:

- Item 7c (Purchase of Civic Center Campus Generator)
- Item 7e (Purchase of a 2023 Promaster 2500 NEMT Van)

7a. Board and Commission Minutes

7a1. Planning Commission/Recreation Commission, December 7, 2022

7a2. Downtown Development Authority Informational Meeting, January 16, 2023

7a3. Downtown Development Authority Regular Meeting, January 16, 2023

**RESOLVED: To receive and file the Board and Commission Minutes.**

7b. Motion – To amend the General Fund General Administration department budget increasing appropriations to include the distribution to the Neighborhood House.

**RESOLVED: To amend the General Fund General Administration department budget to increase appropriations by \$80,000.**

7d. Motion – To approve the purchase of a 2023 RAM 1500 SSV.

**RESOLVED: To amend the 2023 fleet operating budget for vehicles and approve the purchase of a 2023 RAM 1500 SSV for \$37,992.00 from LaFontaine Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram FIAT of Lansing, MI under the MiDEAL contract.**

7f. Motion – To approve the replacement of a Rice Lake 70' x 10' OTR Concrete Deck Truck Scale.

**RESOLVED: To approve the replacement of the Rice Lake 70-foot by 10-foot OTR Concrete Deck Truck Scale for the DPW by Grand Rapids Metrology of Grand Rapids, MI for a total price of \$97,544.00.**

7g. Motion – To approve the purchase and installation of FM Live Software Upgrade.

**RESOLVED: To amend 661-594-977.000 by \$5,000 and approve the purchase and installation of the FM Live Software (and hardware necessary) by The Oscar W. Larson Company for the cost of \$19,985.00.**

**Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Hawkins.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the Consent Agenda.**

**VOTE: Yes: Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 23.02.013**

**Motion Carried (7- 0)**

7c. Motion – To approve the replacement of the Civic Center Campus Generator.

Mr. Knight sought clarification as to the number of generators the City has to avoid redundancy.

Mr. Wisser stated that the three portable back-up generators proposal consists of replacing the generator that is currently in use.

**Moved by Knight, Seconded by Hawkins.**

**RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of a 450kW Cummins generator, including transfer switches, in the amount of \$121,100 and to amend the 2023 Facilities division budget with an increase in appropriations of \$121,100.**

**VOTE: Yes: Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 23.02.014**

**Motion Carried (7- 0)**

7e. Motion – To approve the purchase of a 2023 Promaster 2500 NEMT Van.

Mr. Knight commented that this is to replace the vehicle that was totaled and sought clarification as to why the full amount was being requested.

Mr. Hefner stated that the full amount is being requested for this replacement vehicle to allocate for the expense of the new vehicle and clarified that once the insurance money has been received, it will go back into the General Fund.

**Moved by Knight, Seconded by Cionka.**

**RESOLVED: To approve of the purchase of a 2023 RAM Promaster 2500 NEMT Van from Mobilityworks of Madison Heights, MI for \$79,191.00.**

**VOTE: Yes: Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke**

**No: None**

**Resolution No. 23.02.015**

**Motion Carried (7- 0)**

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

**10. COMMENTS AND MOTIONS FROM COUNCIL**

**Mr. Marzolf** – He commented that he appreciated the suggestion made by the Boy Scouts and that he hopes the City can follow up for the children to participate in the sport.

**Mr. Knight** – He commented that the snow removal policy should be reviewed.

**Mr. Cionka** – He commented that he was able to attend a Newly Elected Officials Training and thanked City Clerk Pierce and Mr. Hagge for their assistance to make this happen.

**11. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT**

**12. CITY MANAGER REPORT**

**13. CLOSED SESSION**

**13a. Discussion of Attorney’s Opinion Letter**

**Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Carrier.**

**RESOLVED:** To meet in closed session to discuss a written attorney’s opinion letter pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(h) of the Open Meetings Act.

**VOTE:** Yes: Carrier, Cionka, Hawkins, Knight, Marzolf, McDaniel, Verbeke

No: None

**Resolution No. 23.02.014**

**Motion Carried (7- 0)**

The meeting recessed to Closed Session at 7:34 PM.

The meeting reconvened in Open Session at 8:35 PM.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no objections, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:35 PM.

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Kevin R. McDaniel, Mayor

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Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk