

FARMINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on Monday, April 17, 2006, 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 7:00 p.m. by Mayor McShane.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Buck, Knol, McShane, Sutherland, Wiggins.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**CITY ADMINISTRATION:** Clerk/Treasurer Cantrell, Director Nebus (arrived 7:29 p.m.), City Manager Pastue (arrived 7:15 p.m.), Assistant City Manager Richards.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**04-06-064** MOTION by Sutherland, seconded by Wiggins, to approve the agenda as submitted. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**STUDY SESSION ITEMS**

**TRAFFIC AND SAFETY BOARD INTERVIEWS – MARK PETERS**

Council interviewed Mark Peters for a position on the Traffic and Safety Board. Mr. Peters responded to questions regarding his interest in serving on the Board, confirming his availability to attend meetings.

City Manager Pastue arrived at 7:15 p.m.

**PLANNING COMMISSION – KEVIN CHRISTIANSEN**

Mr. Christiansen was unavailable for the meeting. Mayor McShane reviewed his credentials indicating that Mr. Christiansen had previously interviewed with Council for a position on the Zoning Board of Appeals and was a current member of that Board. Mayor McShane asked if Council might be interested in appointing Mr. Christiansen without an interview as there were no other candidates for the current opening and that she would recommend Mr. Christiansen as highly qualified.

Director Nebus arrived at 7:29 p.m.

**UPDATE – DOWNTOWN PARKING**

James Kuiken, a member of the Main Street Economic Restructuring (ER) Committee, presented an overview of the Committees' research regarding timed parking in the

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Downtown. His presentation included pictures of parking signage in other communities including Milford, Northville and Plymouth. Mr. Kuiken indicated that the Committee was reviewing a recommendation for the Downtown.

Mayor McShane thanked Mr. Kuiken for his thorough presentation.

Council discussed timed parking in the Downtown with a request for information regarding enforcement. City Manager Pastue discussed the possible use of temporary Traffic Control Orders (TCO) during the Farmer's Market to test effectiveness of timed parking.

Mayor McShane requested that the Economic Redevelopment Committee discuss timed parking with the Downtown merchants. Pastue responded that merchants would receive advance notice regarding the use of TCO's.

Discussion continued regarding use of TCO's, their location and how to attach the temporary signs.

Buck and Knol agreed that TCO's should also be used behind the Civic Theatre as well as on days in addition to the Farmer's Market in order to test the timed parking.

McShane recommended, with support by Mr. Kuiken, the implementation of a permanent plan as soon as possible.

Pastue stated that once a decision is made it would require two council meetings to adopt an ordinance. Discussion continued regarding ordering signs.

Sutherland, with concurrence from Mr. Kuiken, advised that implementation of TCO's is a good start but the City needs to continue moving forward in support of additional designated parking. Sutherland emphasized the need for safe, attractive parking to bring people into the Downtown.

**04-06-065** MOTION by Knol, seconded by Sutherland to adjourn the meeting. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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JoAnne M. McShane, Mayor

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Patsy K. Cantrell, City Clerk/Treasurer

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