



# CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

## City Council Workshop

### Minutes

July 1, 2019

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor McDaniel at 5:30 PM

**LOCATION:** University Center, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills, MI 48326

Present: Mayor McDaniel, Council Members Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, Moniz and Verbeke

Absent: None

Also Present: Assistant City Manager Grice, City Attorney Beckerleg, City Clerk Pierce, DPW Director Melchert, City Engineer Juidici, Engineer Cousino, Fire Chief Taylor, Deputy DPW Director Stahly, City Assessor Griffin, Finance Director/Treasurer Schulz, Director of Authorities Skopek, Mgr of Public Utilities Michling, Executive Assistant Weber, Management Assistant Intern Hagge

Mr. Melchert provided an overview on the PASER rating system and provided examples of each PASER rating level. Mr. Juidici discussed the state of the roads in the City and provided a map with roads rated 5+ and those rated under 5. He noted that those rated under 5 are on the schedule to be fixed next year. He further explained that the amount of cracking in the road and the width of the cracks are considered when determining the PASER rating.

Discussion ensued regarding whether the amount of bus traffic or salt used on the roads, effect the life of the roads. In addition, discussion was held regarding the use of asphalt versus concrete.

Mr. Melchert detailed the road work planned for 2020 through 2024. He explained the City's PASER rating policy. Mr. Juidici explained that the County maintains the County roads located in Auburn Hills. They are required to do their own PASER rating and the roads are done every two years. Mr. Melchert further explained the projected costs to bring the roads up to the various PASER rating levels. Discussion was held regarding funding and budgeting.

Discussion ensued regarding the downtown road work. Mr. Juidici explained that the flower boxes downtown cannot be filled until the irrigation controllers are installed. He noted that once the work is complete downtown, permanent striping will be ground in. Council members expressed concern with the landscaping downtown.

Discussion was held on the future roadwork on Brown Road. Mr. Melchert noted that if the City agrees to pay a portion, it is likely that the City portion would come from tri-party funds. Mr. Juidici added that regional cooperation would make the application for tri-party funds stronger.

It was the consensus of Council to set the PASER rating at 6+.

The meeting adjourned at 6:49 PM.

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**Kevin R. McDaniel, Mayor**

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**Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk**