

Farmington awarded grant for DPW additions

The city of Farmington emerged as a \$1.2 million winner in this year's bids for money under the federal government's local public works capital development and investment program grant.

The money will be used to improve the city's department of public works facilities on Nine Mile. A new salt storage building, police firearms training range and a fire training tower will be constructed on the property.

The grant came as a pleasant surprise to city officials who were skeptical about their chances to collect the federal money.

"When we were working on the application, I felt that perhaps we were throwing good money after bad," confessed Mayor John Richardson.

City Mgr. Robert Deadman took a more hopeful view. "When we submitted the grant application, I felt we had as good a chance as anyone to get it," he said.

Now that the government has notified the city of its decision, local administrators are faced with a March

23 deadline to get the project moving. By that day, workmen should be on the DPW site, under the terms of the grant.

AS SOON AS the project starts, Farmington will receive \$630,000, half of the total grant, from the federal government.

The city has yet to pick a contractor to oversee the construction of the building, which was designed by Farmington-based architects, Lane, Riebe and Welland.

The design of the improvements include a covered salt storage area which will be added to the existing DPW complex.

State law requires that the city store its road salt in a covered area to prevent the contamination of drinking water and the killing of nearby vegetation.

In addition to the salt storage, the DPW complex will gain a fenced area for impounded cars, a large item storage, truck storage, sign shop, flammable liquid storage and conference rooms.

The Farmington Public Safety Department will gain an indoor firing range and a fire training section.

Currently, the police are using Farmington Hills' outdoor range for practice.

The fire training section of the DPW complex will contain moveable walls.

The system will prevent trainees from becoming accustomed to a

single pattern of doors and walls. The \$1.2 million which will go into the project came out of a \$200 million fund which was made available to cities.

Money was awarded on a competitive basis. Applications were given points based on the city's unemployment level, readiness to begin the project and the applicability of the proposal to the community's master plan.

C'ville asks for 5 mill renewal and a 3 mill increase on Jan. 17

Clareneville School district officials will launch its information campaign this week to tell voters about two millage proposals on the special election ballot for Monday, Jan. 17.

Four informational meetings will be held, starting tonight, and continuing through Thursday, Jan. 13, to inform voters about the millage renewal and tax increase proposals.

The school board and administration are asking voters to renew an existing five mills (\$5 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation) levy for 10 years and increase the maximum rate by three mills (\$3 per \$1,000) for five years.

Both millages are needed, the administration said, to continue the existing level of programs and services for the school year starting next fall.

The administration, in a newsletter scheduled for mailing this week, also pointed out that the district hasn't been asked to boost its millage rate since 1969.

The present rate is 33.9 mills (\$33.90 per \$1,000) for operations and approval of the renewal and increase on Jan. 17 would boost that rate to 36.9 mills.

THE FOUR INFORMATIONAL meetings are scheduled for 8 p.m. tonight (Thursday) at Botsford School, 1615 Lathers; next Tuesday, Jan. 11 at Grandview School, 1894 Louise, both in Livonia; Edgewood School, 21225 St. Francis, Farmington Hills, and on Wednesday, Jan. 12, and the school board office on Thursday, Jan. 13, at 2830 Eight Mile, Farmington Hills.

The five mill renewal would continue to generate about \$40,000 in operating revenues while the three mill increase would result in another \$252,000 a year.

The administration said in its newsletter that the board needs \$5,075,000 next year to operate the same level of school programs and services.

If the millage renewal and increase are defeated, the board would be forced to cut \$672,000 in programs to balance the budget.

Such a move would totally eliminate many wonderful and necessary educational programs in the district, the administration said.

School officials also pointed out that the board has levied in the past only the millage needed to balance the budget and in some years allowed a rate less than the maximum levied by voters.

THE DISTRICT'S officials also noted that the operating costs continue to climb despite a drop in student enrollments and faculty cuts.

In the past four years, the district's budget has increased from 4.15 per cent to 7.29 per cent a year. If the millage renewal and increase on the Jan. 17 ballot are approved, next year's budget will increase an estimated 3.58 per cent.

The current student enrollment of 3,637 is expected to drop 12 per cent in the next three years, to 2,573. Most of the decrease is expected in elementary grades, projected to drop from the current 1,508 to 1,313 in three years. Junior high classes are projected to go from the present 598 to 383 while the senior high school is scheduled to drop from 1,025 to 867.



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