

12 luxury cars are vandalized in dealer's lot

By MARY GNIEWEK

Two dozen luxury cars at Bob Dusseau Lincoln-Mercury in Farmington were vandalized in two separate incidents last week, resulting in damages and loss in excess of \$10,000.

AM-FM stereos in 1979 models and standard electronic equipment in 1980s, both Lincolns and Mark VI models, were the target of the thefts.

The dealership, at 31625 Grand River, a block west of Orchard Lake Road, was first hit Sunday night.

According to Bob Dusseau Sr., three cars were vandalized in the first incident.

He said when that crime was reported to Farmington police, the dealership made a request for increased police surveillance around the enclosed car lot until a fence alarm system could be restored to working order.

The next incident occurred the following night, when 21 cars were vandalized.

"We've had thefts almost every weekend in our used car lot," Dusseau claimed. "We've already had \$35,000 in thefts this year."

Employees of Aetron Security Co. of Detroit were at the dealership Wednesday to repair the faulty alarm system.

Farmington Police Lt. John Santomauro said Wednesday the area is "difficult to patrol because it's inaccessible."

But he said he is satisfied the dealership was adequately patrolled both nights.

"We've answered over 300 alarms in eight years there," Santomauro said. "That's unheard of."

"I am more than satisfied Dusseau has received adequate protection."

Santomauro also disputed Dusseau's claim that the dealership had been the target of almost weekly thefts. He said he had statistics to disprove that theory.

THERE ARE NO suspects in last week's theft. Other police departments have been notified, a standard procedure, according to Farmington police.

"We speculate they were organized when they went in there," Detective Tom Daniels said. "They were probably people from outside the area."

Meanwhile, Farmington police report an increase of malicious destruction of vehicle reports.

"They're hitting sporadically — no particular area," Santomauro said. "We don't feel the upswing is related to the larcenies from Dusseau's."



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Hills posts agenda

Farmington Hills City Council
7:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 26

- Consideration of ordinance for the sale of city-owned land at Freedom and Drake roads to the RRCS Group for the sum of \$140,000 with provision for operation of senior center and reversion of project properties to the city after 30 years.

- Consideration of ordinance to abate taxes on low- and moderate-income senior citizen/family housing project at Freedom and Drake and 14 Mile at Orchard Lake Road.

- Consideration of enactment of amendatory ordinance C62-T-1 to the Farmington Hills zoning ordinance. Article XA, OS-3, Section 1004A, area and bulk requirements.

- Consideration of enactment of amendatory ordinance C62-T-2 to the Farmington Hills zoning ordinance. Article XA, Section 1003A, paragraphs 4a

and 4b. Conditions for maps and site plans.

- Consideration of introduction of uniform traffic code amendment C-15-79 Chapter 70 to repeal Section 5.3c.

- Consideration of the introduction of the Industrial Research Office IRO to the zoning ordinance.

- Show-cause hearing on the demolition of structures: Chapter 20, Article II, Section 20.140 of the city code at 22513 Springbrook.

- Consideration of resolution for the 1980 sewage disposal rate increase in the Evergreen-Farmington SDS.

- Consideration of establishing a special assessment district for water improvement on Meadowview in Pleasant Valley and setting date for necessity hearing. Resolutions 1 and 2.

- Consideration of request of library board for supplemental appropriation to renovate space to enlarge space for children's services.

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