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Fix-up plan draws eye of council

Taxpayers would pay an additional 75 mills over the next 20 years if armington Hills officials choose to nance an estimated \$12.8-million six-

year capital-improvements program.

The plans are highlighted by a new police building and major drain proj-

"All alternatives and options are open at this time," said Charles Rosch, finance director. "No decision has been

The additional 1.75 mills needed to finance the entire six-year plan would mean that a homeowner with a \$90,000 house assessed at \$45,000, would pay an increase of \$79.

Residents view plan

That was the advice offered to the armington Hills City Council when he proposed six-year enpital-improvements program was unveiled on Mon-

menta program was unsultanted day.

The words of encouragement came from several residents at a public hearing called by council members to determine which projects residents consider necessary and would be willing to pay for. Council has yet to adopt the plan.

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The positive comments were a turn-around from last year when residents hurled insults and threats at council members who proposed a tax increase

The 1984-99 capital improvements program was formally presented to council and residents with the help of photographs and graphica Monday. The more than one-hour-long presentation by City Manager Lawrence Savage was followed by a public hearing. Prepared and adopted by the planning commission, the state-required six-year plan is broken down into areas such as drains, sanitary sewers, public facilities, sidewalks, equipment purchases and parks and recreation facilities.

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"The city's finance department has analyzed the entire program and total costs and has indicated that 1.75 mills would be necessary to complete all of the projects that we have represented this evening," Savage said.

"THIS WOULD be necessary for the life of the bonds that would be issued to pay for some of the major improvements such as the dreins and a police station."

Currently, the council levies 7.8 mills (including 4046 mill for debt retirement) according to the council levies 1.8 mills (including 4046 mill for debt retirement).

council has the authority to levy up to 10 mills.

If the council decides to levy the additional 1.75 mills, inapayers would pay a city tax rate of 3.6 mills. Its of the state of the Farmington School District, intermediate school, Onkiand Community College, Oakland County and Farmington Hills.

Meanwhile, school-district officials are considering raising taxes by 1.2 mills, from 33.7 mills to 34.9 mills. School officials have voter authorization to go as high as 37.29 mills.

Although council members may de-

Mercy mission from the skies brings hope and unites family

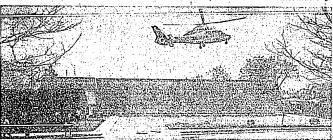
Police blocked off the street. A fire ingine stood at the ready. Residents ame out of their houses and lined Gill and.

on. Farmington's Oak Hill Nursing Home.

Angela Glummo, a 16-month-old quadraplegic, was the VIP passenger in the big French Twin Dauphin helicopter which flew up from a Toledo hospituli and swooped down on Oak Hill's parking lot.

Angela, who depends on a ventilator life-support system for survival, will join about 140 mostly-elderly patients at the nursing home under a new program which attempts to treat the ord and young in the same setting.

Oak Hill has nine young patients, most on life-support systems, in its new Ventilator Unit.



Sewers, cop shop are at top of list

Although still unsure whether to adopt the entire proposed six-year capital improvements plan c only portions of it such as a now police building, city officials Monday muvelied the catimated \$12.8 million worth of projects. With the help of photographs and graphics, City Manager Lawrence Savage presented an hourion description of each suggested project largeted for 1984-1989.

traffic studies and the master parks and recreation plan, Savage said. Following is a list of the projects in-cluded in the proposed capital im-provements plan:

Purchase of data-processing equipment in the processing equipment for city ball. The city has a consultant investigating data-processing needs.

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Schools to decide on millage boost

Not if, but when and how much. That's the situation with the proposed tax increase in the Farmington Public Schools.

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At a public hearing attended by 12 people last Tuesday evening, board and administration members attempted to enhance the property of the prope

the district officials. "Anticipated revenues will be less than this amount, ore-sting a shortfall of approximately \$2,505,181."

The notice concluded, "The Board of Education has proposed this millings in recognition of the responsibility to maintain and sustain an effective edu-cational movements."

A SPECIAL concern to district offi-cials is the se-called Caesar Amend-ment to title State Aid Act, a plan which, il approved by the state Legisla-ture, would limit state funding of po-cial-education programs in wealthy districts like Farmington.
"They're, negotiating, this," said Farmington Superintendent Law Schni-man, "thet right new, it would cost us \$444,000. If (the plan) would definitely ext existing modific.

added, "It would behove us to provide for the worst situation."
A Farmington Hills realdent, Torn DeWard, suggested several times during the meeting that the board should

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