

# Public access is franchise's claim to fame

How do you measure up? This past month, representatives from community television centers, governments and cable systems throughout the United States gathered in San Francisco at the National Federation of Local Cable Programmers Conference.

Eleven tracks of discipline were available to become more educated in providing one's community with more diversity in television programming as well as streaming techniques in franchise compliance.

Comparatively speaking, our franchise is midrange to small in subscriber base, yet healthy with 54 percent of households subscribing to cable. With a subscriber base of 19,000-plus, our system — compared with metro areas consisting of 200,000 subscribers — is limited in



**cable connection**  
**Lark Samouelian**  
executive director,  
Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission

its need to access a forerunner position in telecommunications.

Our claim to fame, however, is in the unusual structure of community

access programming harmoniously facilitated with cable company and cable commission hand-in-hand.

Although rocky days have indeed existed, as with any relationship, the ultimate bond and foundation is strengthened to provide for enhanced service to our community.

Our television efforts are rich in original productions, of which quality standards are always apparent. Our emphasis is informative and entertaining.

Many other systems emphasize programming that is more documentation oriented, such as cablecasting meetings and programs already in existence. Other systems have television access producers heavy into causes and social issues.

No one else has the grasp we'll have of understanding the marketing strategies behind our endeavors.

I am so proud of our team efforts as we have shared and will continue to share our skills with one another to continue to keep the opportunity for the freedom of expression prevalent within Farmington, Novi and Farmington Hills.

**Tuesday, August 5**

- 12 noon — Church of Today. Repeat at 6 p.m.
- 1 p.m. — The Dream Factory. Repeat at 7 p.m.
- 1:30 p.m. — Tri Outlook. Repeat at 7:30 p.m.
- 2:30 p.m. — Community Update. Repeat at 8:30 p.m.
- 3 p.m. — Duel of Knowledge. Repeat at 8 p.m.
- 3:30 p.m. — Cranbrook Theatre Presents. Repeat at 8:30 p.m.

## recreation news

Each week, the Farmington Hills Parks and Recreation Division will present a synopsis of upcoming activities in this column. For more information about division programs, call the office at 474-6115. To discuss Farmington Hills City Council agenda items, call the division newsletter 476-3838.

**DISCOUNT TICKETS** — A variety of admission tickets at a discount to residents are offered through the Farmington Hills Department of Special Services in cooperation with the Michigan Recreation and Park Association.

Tickets to such attractions as Bobo Island, Cedar Point, Crossroads Village and many more are all available.

Tickets are on sale at the city of Farmington Hills Recreation Division office and the City of Farmington's Finance Department through Sept. 2.

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS NOTICE**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Farmington Hills, Michigan will accept sealed bids until Friday, August 8, 1986, 10:00 a.m. prevailing local time, at which time they shall be publicly opened and read aloud by the City Clerk for the following:

- 1) Four Wheel Drive Vehicle for Parks/Recreation
- 2) Irrigation System Supplier/Equipment
- 3) One Ton Pickup Truck for Parks/Recreation
- 4) 1/2 Ton Pickup Truck for DPW
- 5) Compressor/Cascade System
- 6) Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus
- 7) Protective Clothing for Fire Department
- 8) Mid-Size Initial Fire Attack Vehicle

Bids for the above items shall be submitted to the City Clerk, 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48031, on or before the above date and time. Specifications and proposal forms may be obtained by contacting the Purchasing Agent, (313) 474-9557 during normal business hours.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in part or in whole should the public interest be better served thereby.

**JOAN R. REYNOLDS, City Clerk**

**CITY OF FARMINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS (Summary)**

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was called to order by Mayor Hartsock at 8:00 p.m. on July 21, 1986, in Council Chambers, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan.

**PRESENT:** Bennett, Campbell, Hartsock, Tupper, Yoder.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** City Manager Deadman, Director Billing, Director Lauch, City Attorney Kelly, City Clerk Reynold.

Minutes of previous meetings were approved.

Council held a Public Hearing to review 1985 Sidewalk Program assessments, which resulted in two parcels being removed from the assessment roll.

The Mayor presented Special Recognition plaques to Walter Sundquist, Fred Steinkopf and Wallace Seger for the beautification work at Grand River and Farmington Road.

Minutes of other boards were received and/or filed.

Council authorized the City Engineer to design and engineer the proposed improvements to the Water System and the City Clerk to advertise for bids for the proposed construction.

Council authorized the City Engineer to prepare plans and specifications for the projects as proposed for the 1986 Local Road Improvement Program and authorized the City Clerk to receive bids.

Council waived the bid process and authorized a contract with Detroit Concrete Products in the amount of \$38,875.00 for work to be done on Allen Lane.

Council waived the bid process and awarded B & G Heating & Cooling the contract to install new air conditioning units at City Hall in the amount of \$9,850.

Council introduced Ordinance C-536-86 amending traffic control order concerning proposed parking on Power Road.

Council authorized a new three-year contract with the State of Michigan Department of Transportation for the maintenance of Grand River.

Public comments were heard.

Council appointed Robert Butten to another three-year term on the Farmington Economic Development Corporation.

The following reports were received and filed:

- Department of Public Services Quarterly Report, April to June, 1986.
- Building Department Annual Report, 1985-June 30, 1986.
- Council appointed Shirley Richardson to fill the unexpired term of Councilman Bennett.
- Council appointed Councilman Campbell to fill the unexpired term of Councilman Bennett on the Election Commission.
- Monthly bills were approved for payment.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

**WILLIAM S. HARTSOCK, Mayor**  
**JOSEPHINE M. BUSHEY, City Clerk**

**PICNIC PAC** — Summer isn't over yet, you still have time to enjoy a picnic pac. Each picnic pac sports a volleyball and net, a complete badminton set, a softball bat and ball, scoops and shuffle balls, horseshoes and stakes and Frisbees. Reserve a picnic pac for your family reunion or group picnic at least one week in advance. Fees are \$8 for a weekend or \$5 a day. Croquet sets are also available for \$3 a weekend or \$2 a day. A \$20 cash deposit is required at time of pick-up.

**FALL SOCCER** — Registration for youth soccer grades K through 3 is now being accepted through Aug. 8. Participants are placed in K-1 and 2-3 grade divisions. Practices are held once a week at the discretion of the volunteer coach. Games are held on Saturdays beginning Sept. 6 for five weeks. Fee is \$14 per person which includes a team T-shirt.

**SAN MARINO** — Located on beautiful Halsted Road between Grand River and 12 Mile Road, San

Marino is open daily from dawn to dusk, weather permitting. Of special interest are a full service Pro Shop and snack bar as well as a full-time seasonal Golf Manager, Al Marmon. Fees are: weekdays, residents, nine holes, adults \$5.50, seniors and juniors, \$3; 18 holes, adults \$9, seniors and juniors \$5; weekends, nine holes, adults, seniors and juniors, \$8; 18 holes, adults, seniors and juniors \$10.

Non-resident fees are slightly higher. Juniors and seniors may only use their discount on weekdays between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. For further information call San Marino at 478-5910.

**SENIOR ADULT CENTER** — People 55 or older who live in the Farmington area are encouraged to join senior programming at the Senior Adult Center located in the Mercy Center, 28600 11 Mile east of Middlebelt. A variety of programming reflects "wellness" or achieving the highest level of physical and mental health within an individual's capacity. The Senior Center is open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON ELECTION NOTICE**

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that SATURDAY, AUGUST 2, 1986, UNTIL 2:00 P.M. is the LAST DAY to obtain Applications for Absent Voter Ballots for the August 5, 1986, General Primary Election.

Applications for Absent Voter Ballots may be obtained Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on SATURDAY, AUGUST 2, 1986, until 2:00 p.m. at the Farmington City Hall, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan.

**JOSEPHINE M. BUSHEY, City Clerk**

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS REGULAR CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING JULY 28, 1986**

Mayor Alkateeb opened the regular meeting of the Farmington Hills City Council on July 28, 1986 at 7:30 p.m. Members present: Alkateeb, Dolan, Dudley, Marks, Sever, Sorensen and Wolf. Others present: City Manager Costick, City Clerk Reynolds, City Attorney Bibeau.

Minutes of July 14, 1986 were approved as amended.

Council introduced proposed text amendment to the City Code, Zoning Chapter 60, regarding landscaping requirements, as amended.

Council enacted the following Ordinances:

- Ordinance No. C-29-86, Zoning Request 14-4-86, to rezone property on east side of Orchard Lake Road from RA-1 to OS-1.
- Ordinance No. C-30-86, Zoning Request 16-4-86, to rezone property at 2771 Hollister, from RA-1 to RC-2.
- Ordinance No. C-31-86, Zoning Request 19-4-86, to rezone Lot 1-9 of Independence Office Center, from OS-1 to RC-2.
- Ordinance No. C-32-86, Zoning Request 19-5-86, to rezone property on southeast corner of Nine Mile and York Roads from RC-2 to RC-4.
- Ordinance No. C-33-86, Zoning Text Amendment to Chapter 60 of City Code regarding Duplex Option. Summary was approved for publication.

Final Plat for Straubmire Subdivision No. 2 in Section 7 was approved with contingencies.

Michael Garr was appointed to the Historical Commission for a three year term to expire 2-1-89.

Council voted to hold executive session to discuss pending litigation following tonight's meeting.

Council approved the request of Theresa M. Teets to drop John L. Teets as partner on 1986 Class C license located at 27406 W. Eight Mile Road (The Town Pub).

Preliminary Plan and expenditure of \$33,400 from Capital Improvement Fund were approved for drainage improvements for Longwood Avenue and City Manager was authorized to receive quotes for this work.

Agreement with Oakland County Road Commission was approved for traffic signal at Bunker Hill and Twelve Mile Road.

Council received and filed 5-Year Strategic Plan for Office Automation as presented by Creative Ideas.

Resolution was adopted authorizing procurement of Data Processing Cash Control System for Finance Department from IBM in the amount of \$22,420 and for appropriate applications software from Advantage Systems in the amount of \$15,000. Contingency Fund in amount of \$3,900 was set aside for purchase of any unforeseen equipment or software necessary for operation of system.

Council approved renewal of Agreement with Village of Franklin to provide police dispatch and other law enforcement administrative services, including a 1250 per month increase in monthly consideration.

Council approved implementation of Prisoner Work Program in cooperation with 47th District Court with recommendation that no person be exempt from this program because of inability to pay required fee.

Agreement was approved with Oakland County Road Commission for Traffic Signal Modernization at Ten Mile Road and Orchard Lake.

Resolution was adopted requesting Michigan Department of Transportation to assist with widening on Freeways.

City manager was authorized to proceed with Pavement & Resurfacing Program with Oakland County Road Commission for 1987.

Council authorized purchase of 1983 Ford Ranger Pickup for Department of Special Services in amount of \$14,000.

David Call was appointed as Assistant City Manager, effective August 4, 1986.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

**J. I. ALKATEEB, Mayor**  
**JOAN REYNOLDS, City Clerk**

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**COMMUNITY ACCESS PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE Channel 12 Monday, August 4**

- 12 noon — Lifestyle. Repeat at 6 p.m.
- 12:30 p.m. — Expose. Repeat at 6:30 p.m.
- 1 p.m. — Serendipity. Repeat at 7 p.m.
- 1:30 p.m. — Farmington Community Library. Repeat at 7:30 p.m.
- 2 p.m. — Adventures in Dance No. 3. Repeat at 8 p.m.
- 2:30 p.m. — Operation Safe Boat. Repeat at 8:30 p.m.
- 3 p.m. — Farmington Founders Day Parade. Repeat at 9 p.m.
- 4 p.m. only — Producer of the Month, Alice Nichols.

**COMMUNITY ACCESS PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE Channel 12 Tuesday, August 5**

- 12 noon — Cooking with Class. Repeat at 6 p.m.
- 12:30 p.m. — Serendipity. Repeat at 6:30 p.m.
- 1 p.m. — Artist in Residence. Repeat at 7 p.m.
- 1:30 p.m. — Detroit Classic Country Blues. Repeat at 7:30 p.m.
- 2 p.m. — Michigan Ballet Theatre Presents. Repeat at 8 p.m.
- 3 p.m. — Dynasty Principles. Repeat at 9 p.m.
- 3:30 p.m. — Social Security Administration. Repeat at 9:30 p.m.
- 4 p.m. only — Producer of the Month, Alice Nichols.

**Thursday, August 7**

- 12 noon — Perception. Repeat at 6 p.m.
- 12:30 p.m. — Tri Outlook. Repeat at 6:30 p.m.
- 1:30 p.m. — Viewpoint. Repeat at 7:30 p.m.
- 2 p.m. — Mock Rock Video. Repeat at 8 p.m.
- 2:30 p.m. — Community Update. Repeat at 8:30 p.m.
- 3 p.m. — Over the Counter. Repeat at 9 p.m.
- 3:30 p.m. — Art in Review. Repeat at 9:30 p.m.
- 4 p.m. only — Oakland County Connection.

**Friday, August 8**

- Call 553-7303 before Friday and request a repeat of your favorite Channel 12 show.

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION**

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That a General Primary Election will be held in the CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN on **TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 1986** AT THE PLACE OR PLACES OF HOLDING THE ELECTION IN SAID CITY AS INDICATED BELOW, VIZ:

- Precinct 1 - Power Middle School
- Precinct 2 - Wheeler Fire Hall
- Precinct 3 - Woodcreek School
- Precinct 4 - Power Middle School
- Precinct 5 - William Grace School
- Precinct 6 - Lakeside School
- Precinct 7 - Dunkel Jr. High School
- Precinct 8 - East Middle School
- Precinct 9 - East Middle School
- Precinct 10 - Dunkel Middle School
- Precinct 11 - North Farmington High School
- Precinct 12 - East Middle School
- Precinct 13 - William Grace School
- Precinct 14 - Alameda School
- Precinct 15 - Gill School
- Precinct 16 - Fairview School
- Precinct 17 - Alameda School
- Precinct 18 - Lutheran High School
- Precinct 19 - Forest School
- Precinct 20 - Fire Dept. Headquarters
- Precinct 21 - Dunkel Middle School
- Precinct 22 - North Farmington High School
- Precinct 23 - Kenbrook School
- Precinct 24 - Independence Green Club House
- Precinct 25 - Gill School
- Precinct 26 - Hope Lutheran Church
- Precinct 27 - Universalist Unitarian Church

FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING IN NOMINATION BY ALL POLITICAL PARTIES PARTICIPATING THEREIN, CANDIDATES FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES, VIZ:

**STATE:** Governor  
**CONGRESSIONAL:** Representative in Congress  
**LEGISLATIVE:** State Senator, Representative  
**COUNTY:** County Commissioner

Also any Additional offices if any for which partisan candidates are to be nominated.

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING IN NOMINATION, CANDIDATES PARTICIPATING IN A NON-PARTISAN PRIMARY ELECTION FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICE, VIZ:

**CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE**

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING:

**DELEGATES TO THE COUNTY CONVENTION OF THE DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN PARTIES**

THE POLLS FOR THE SAID ELECTION WILL BE OPEN FROM 7 O'CLOCK A.M. AND WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 8 O'CLOCK P.M. OF SAID DAY OF ELECTION.

**JOAN R. REYNOLDS, City Clerk**

**NOTICE - ABSENT VOTER BALLOTS**

The last day to obtain an Absent Voter Ballot for the Special City Election of August 5, 1986, is until 2:00 p.m. Saturday, August 2, 1986 at the City Clerk's office, 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan.

**JOAN REYNOLDS, City Clerk**

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