Candidates detail reasons for running

Cancidates for Farmington Hills City Council taken Menday about maintaining tiers city; residential controller council transport of the controller council training tiers and a sense of protein council training with poor and clarify residents, and continuing the agenda of the current council During Menday's Candidates

Night sponsored by the Farmington Democratic Club, each of the nine cardidates was given time to make a three-minute statement about them-selves their accomplishments and

selves their accomplishments and their campaign platforms. Incumbent councilman Joe Alka-teeb said he was seeking re-election because "the next four years". are very critical in the final develop-ment of Farmington Hills."

Alkateeb, an engineer, called for continued residential growth, and controls on commercial development in the yet undeveloped portion of the city.

Attorney and Oakland Community College instructor Haymond Casser Called for new ideas and approaches. "It's time to step back and take a look... at where we're going," he said "I take great pride in our city.

"It's better to have a surplus than

"It's better to have a surplus than a deficit." Cassar said, with Lytwyniuk concurring. "We must operate in the black, by charter." Dudley said.
"The surplus has grown because of good management." Sever said was videotaped and will air on Metrovision of Oakland County's community access cable Channel 12 on the following days.

Oct. 9. 7. p.m.
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as many of us do."

Incumbent councilwoman and attorney Joan Dudley told residents she would "listen to arguments with an open mind." She also said she will 'do my debating in public." and will be honest, ethical and fair to her constituents.

"I CARE about this community." said challenger Jean For, former chairwoman of the city's zoning board and historic district commission and a local historian and author. "I know how government works, what it can do, and its limitations." She called for the city to refocus and give less attention to commercial development.

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A self-employed private investigator. John Heenan said the "tremendous build-up of commercial and business has changed the nature of our city."

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He noted safety problems, extreme road congestion, and the crease in the costs of operating the crase in the costs of operating the cailed for "putting the brakes" on commercial and business development in our city. Who said bugger is better?

Challenger Vermon Kielpinkti is promoting himself as the candidate for the working person in Farmington thills, He some and elderly — people of the control of the control of the council is "run by businesspoole" and "is totally blind to the real needs of the city. Kielpinkti is a maintenance worker, delivery person and former employee at Chatham grocery store.

Richard Lytwyniuk, a self-employed businessman, former teacher and member of the Homeowners.

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Board hopefuls state positions money back to the taxpayers or lowering the tax rate. Kirbipinski questioned the surplus, saying "taxes are high enough." Vagnozir rode the fence on the issue, saying he had no quarrel with a reasonable surplus to the issue, saying he had no quarrel with a reasonable surplus to the issue, saying he had no quarrel with a reasonable surplus pointed 12 percent of the majority of candidates favored a city surplus for a variety of reasons. "Our professional staff has advised us that 10 percent is what they would like to have." Alkateeb said. "It is important to have a surplus." "It's better to have a surplus than

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tenefits of such actions.

Both Fox and Heenan said the city should review how it obtains its legal advice if the numbers of consent

judgments rise.

If we're losing crucial cases, maybe the city should lock at an in-

matters ANOTHER RESIDENT ques-tioned the city's reported 12 percent budget surplus, saying "something's amiss in the budgeting process." Most of the candidates defended the idea of a government surplus, with the executions of Fox and Heenan, who advocated giving the

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noise atterney." Fox said.

Two candidates are also atterneys, inclimbent Dudley and challenger Cassar, who cited the benefits of consent judgments.

Dudley said the city has cut the unmber of consent judgments, and that they "provide one thing - very stringent controls." Cassar explained that "consent judgments is a ferm of a negotiating tool... in trying to get both sides to compromise."

Incumbent Alkateeb gave figures showing that of the \$3 requests for consent judgments in city-related lawsuits during the past two years, the city had only considered six.

Challenger Vagnozis said he would like to take a more aggressive position and fish? city litigation, and also called for more information on city-related linguistion. Incumbent Sever defended the city's discussion of legal matters in executive, or disced sessions. In eventive, or disced sessions, and said the city's discussion of legal matters in eventive, or disced sessions, and said the city and proments." Lythywniuk said on the plantakt called for "fairness" and the sides in all municipal legal matters.

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