

## on the agenda

Below are highlights from the agendas of government meetings this week. All meetings are open to the public.

**Farmington City Council**  
Council Chambers  
23600 Liberty Street  
8 p.m. Monday, March 7

A progress report on the solid-waste consortium, chaired by city manager Robert Deadman, is scheduled to be heard this evening. Also on the agenda is a recommendation for renewal of the city's Class C liquor licenses, the department of public safety's annual report, proposed fee schedules for agendas/minutes and cemetery lots and services, and a contractor payment for renovations to the city council chambers.

**Farmington Community Library**  
Conference Room  
Farmington Hills branch library  
32737 12 Mile  
5 p.m. Thursday, March 10

Trustees will receive a report from the building committee as well as discuss pending legislation and methods of improving circulation procedures at the Hills Branch.

**Farmington Hills Planning Commission**  
City Council Chambers  
31555 11 Mile  
7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 10

The planning commission will discuss the following requests:

- Rezoning from RA-1, single-family residential, to OS-1, office service, north of I-696, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads. Proponent: James Williams. Owner: Michigan National Corp.
- Rezoning from RA-1, single-family residential, to OS-1, office service, at 27685 Halsted, between 12 Mile and Enterprise Court. Proponent: Neil Sosin. Owners: Daniel and Joan Reynolds.
- Rezoning from RP-2, planned residential, to RC-2, multiple-family residential, at 30700 Haggerty Road, on the east side of Haggerty, between 13 and 14 Mile roads.
- Site-plan review for an addition to an existing restaurant with drive-through in a B-2, community business zone, at 33340 12 Mile, east of

Farmington Road. Proponent: Timothy Schmitt for Hardee's Food System, Inc. Owner: B.J. Investments.

- Site-plan review for office research in RA-2 zone (pending rezoning to OS-4) on the north side of Nine Mile, between I-275 and Haggerty Road. Proponent: Selective Development Group. Owner: Joseph Mazur.
- Site-plan review for an apartment community in RC-2/RP-2 zoning on the east side of Haggerty Road, between 13 and 14 Mile roads. Proponent: Gary Menzel, Holtzman & Silverman Development Co. Owner: Development Interests Inc.
- Site-plan review for an addition to an existing church in OS-4 at 21260 Haggerty, on the east side of Haggerty, between Eight and Nine Mile roads. Proponent: Association of Planners and Engineers Corp. Owner: Detroit First Church of the Nazarene.
- Site-plan review for an office in OS-4 zoning at 24400 Drake Road, east side of Drake, north of Grand River. Proponent: Michael Kane. Owner: Robert Mehlman.

## C'ville to get new buses

By Kevin Brown  
staff writer

Four new school buses will upgrade the Clarenceville School District's aging fleet next fall.

The district Board of Education last week voted to add two buses in September and two more in November. It's the first step in an effort to replace the entire fleet by 1995.

"We had estimated the buses would cost around \$38,000 each," said Ralph Skrocki, assistant superintendent for business.

He said he was pleased with the bid accepted by the board, which put the cost of the four buses at "a little over \$31,000 each."

The bus-buying plan was sparked by reports in February of problems with the district's 13 buses. Bus drivers reported brake failures, exhaust leaks and other problems with the fleet.

and board members said it was time to start replacing buses. Purchases had been put off in recent years due to budget constraints.

By mid-February, the district's buses were repaired — allowing administrators to return two buses loaned from the Farmington schools. The fleet should now pass a state police bus inspection rescheduled for later this month, said Skrocki.

In September, the district will receive one 65-passenger bus and a 35-passenger bus equipped with a hydraulic lift for handicapped students, Skrocki said.

In November, two 65-passenger buses will be delivered. All four are diesel models, with automatic transmissions.

A financing plan to buy the buses will be set upon delivery of the first buses. "The first payment is due a year after receipt," Skrocki said.

Under his bus replacement plan, fuel savings from switching to diesel fuel — along with a 38 percent state reimbursement for bus purchases — would mean the district would save \$100,000 by buying rather than leasing buses.

Among the oldest buses owned by the district are two made in 1975, two in 1977 and three in 1978.

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