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people like us who put you where you are," he said.

Cathy Webb, president of the Farmington Board of Education, introduced Maxfield as a "world class superintendent." She added that the search for a new superintendent and his desire to come to the Farmington was important.

Although the new school financing formula will help other districts more than Farmington, its equity and tax relief features will be a benefit in the long run, Maxfield said.

The strengths of the school district include its "unbridled enthusiasm," "extraordinary teaching," "fiscal responsibility," and the partnerships and alliances the

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schools have forged with local businesses and organizations, including Alexander Hamilton Life (site of the breakfast), Michigan National Bank and Botsford General Hospital, Maxfield said.

Proposal A was also on the mind of Farmington city manager Frank Lauhoff, who credited downtown businesses for picking up the tab for lost revenue for tax increment finance districts which account for much of the money downtown development authorities, such as Farmington's, get.

"Everybody recognizes how important the DDA is," he said.

Farmington Hills Mayor Larry Lichtman thanked businesses in the community who are often



Ready to speak: C. Robert Maxfield (center), Farmington's new superintendent of schools, is introduced at the State of the Cities breakfast.

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Steve Brock



Dave Call



Arnie Campbell



Frank Lauhoff



Cathy Webb

overlooked although they provide 40 percent of the city's state equalized valuation.

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Lichtman said the acquisition of property at the Mercy Center

was one of his city's biggest accomplishments. Because of the city's excellent bond rating and low interest rates, the city will pay an interest rate of only 3.9 percent, he said.

Hills assistant city manager David Call, speaking on behalf of city manager Bill Costick who was hampered by laryngitis, said

the Haggerty Road connector project, long denigrated as a "phantom road," was progressing on schedule. Hills assistant city manager Steve Brock added that prospects for federal money to pay for a proposed Grand River/M102 interchange project could be forthcoming later this year as well.

Farmington Mayor Arnold Campbell said the city will be active this year with road projects, renovations of strip malls and streetscape improvements in the downtown area.

The annual breakfast was sponsored by the Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce.

Neither Tigers, Nordiques coming

As if he needed to, Farmington Hills Mayor Larry Lichtman put to rest a rumor that the Detroit Tigers had been interested in considering Litch family property at 12 Mile and Drake as a possible site for a new baseball stadium.

"Reports of Tiger Stadium coming to Farmington Hills have been greatly exaggerated," Lichtman said during remarks at the State of the Cities Breakfast Thursday.

As it turned out, Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer's announcement Friday that he endorsed Detroit

Tigers owner Mike Ilitch's plan to build a new stadium in Detroit, made the issue moot.

Chris Norris, director of corporate communications for Computware, said another Farmington Hills sports link was just a rumor. That tale had the Farmington Hills company buying the Quebec Nordiques of the National Hockey League and moving them to Phoenix, Ariz. Norris said Jim Rutherford, Computware's director of hockey operations and a former Red Wing, called the idea "just this year's rumor."

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