

Teen faces extradition in killing

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A Livonia teen with a Farmington background Wednesday waived extradition to Kentucky where he will face murder conspiracy charges in his uncle's Feb. 17 slaying.

In a brief hearing in Detroit Recorder's Court, the 17-year-old suspect told Judge Vera Massey Jones he would surrender to Radcliff, Ky., authorities within 10 days.

The teen, who attended Farmington High School about two years ago, was remanded to the Wayne County Jail without bond.

"We've secured counsel in Kentucky, and we are going to waive. That concludes the matter in Michigan," said attorney James A. Gizicki, who has served as a defense attorney since the suspect's March 6 arrest in Livonia.

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ther, Dennis Maiden of Livonia, had originally planned to fight extradition but then thought returning to Kentucky would be the best way to resolve the matter.

Maiden didn't attend Wednesday's hearing.

The suspect — who has shuttled back and forth between homes in metro Detroit and Kentucky during the past five years — is named in a juvenile warrant for complicity to murder Detroit native Frederick Gabow.

However a new Kentucky law

allows authorities to try the Livonia teen as an adult, where conviction carries a possible death sentence.

Gabow, 29, was shot in the neck and leg from outside his Radcliff mobile home with a .22-caliber handgun as he dressed for work. He died two days later.

Four others from Elizabethtown, Ky. — including the victim's estranged wife and a second 17-year-old believed to be the shooter — have been charged with complicity to murder.

They are: Cheryl Gabow, 29, the Livonia suspect; David Wayne Branger, 24; James Cecil, 24; and Sam McMullen, 17.

All have pleaded not guilty and all are jailed without bond in Hardin County, Ky.

Cheryl and Frederick Gabow filed for divorce in 1990 and police said the final decree was scheduled for Feb. 21.

Once the divorce was final, Frederick Gabow's two sons were to become beneficiaries of his \$200,000 life insurance policy, according to reports.

Police in Kentucky and Livonia have declined to provide details about the nephew's alleged involvement in the murder plot.

Other family members, however, said the Livonia teen met McMullen while the two were in a Kentucky youth home and suggested his role as the shooter.

ON THE AGENDA

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

Farmington Hills City Council
31555 11 Mile Road
474-8115
7:00 p.m. Monday, March 27, 1995

Council chambers
Agenda items include:
■ Public questions and comments.
■ Council members' comments and announcements.

■ Consideration of approval of resolution regarding Economic Development Corp. funding for a new nonprofit nursing home and assisted living complex and setting date for public hearing — sponsored by Botsford Continuing Care Center.

■ Consideration of adoption of a resolution in opposition to increasing liquor license quota.

■ Consideration of approval of final architectural elevations for commercial properties and road improvement agreement for the Timbercrest project at 12 Mile and Middlebelt roads.

■ Consideration of approval of revised policies regarding the operation of the San Marino Golf Course.

■ Consideration of approval of green fees for the San Marino Golf Course for the 1995 season.

■ Consideration of approval for authorization to submit grant ap-

plication for Founders Sports Park.

■ Consideration of request by Councilwoman Nancy Estes to set policy for future bond and commission appointments.

Farmington Public Schools
Regular meeting
Lewis Schulman Center,
32500 Shilohwasseo, Farmington 408-3300

Agenda items include:
■ Recognition of staff and students. Teachers of the Year David Hales, Hillside; Darlene Egbert-Oliver, East; Sandy Elling, Cloverdale. Support Person of the Year Helen Robb, East.

■ Ratification of tentative agreement between Farmington Board of Education and Farmington Education Association; Custodial/Maintenance/Cafeteria; Educational Support Personnel.

■ Approval of East Middle School Global Village Jr. project proposal.

■ Approval of Farmington Harrison and North Farmington high schools restructuring proposals.

■ Approval to reclassify expenditures.

■ Approval to cancel previously approved Window Project at North Farmington High School.

■ Approval of resolution to hold annual election on June 12, 1995.

■ Awarding of bids for window replacement at Farmington Training Center and renovations at Cloverdale, Forest, Power, Wooddale, North Farmington and Farmington High Schools.

■ Public Comments.
■ Expenditures
■ Gifts to schools.

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