

Mayor Reveals New Budget For Proposed Expanded City

By WILBUR V. BROTHERTON making "pie in the sky" There have been several promises without the ability to questions and statements made deliver without an increase in that the City of Farmington is taxes to the present city

property owners as well as the taxpayers in the affected area. To prove that the city does have this ability, we are including herewith the existing city budget and proposed expanded city budget for 30,000 population for fiscal year 1971-72.

REVENUES ARE derived from two basic sources — property taxes and state returns.

The general property taxes \$102 million S.E.V. at \$2.50 per thousand would produce \$1,122,000. It should be noted that we have not included any growth factor for the year 1970 in this projection.

The larger city would receive an additional \$484,100 in state returns which includes \$100,000 gas & weight tax for highway purposes not being received by the township as they are not eligible because Oakland County maintains their roads.

It should be noted that there is an increase of over \$75,000 in general staff agencies to provide for additional personnel in various administrative offices and adding professional staff which would direct the future planning to insure orderly growth.

THE PUBLIC SAFETY Department would be expanded with 20 new public safety officers to increase our present department from 25 to 45 personnel. This would provide basic coverage of seven patrols in the expanded city.

This would be an increase of over 300 per cent polled coverage than is presently being offered by Farmington Township police. In addition to the expansion of personnel within the department, the city will continue utilizing the existing volunteer fire department and have assigned \$40,000 towards this program with the expectations of increasing the number of volunteers and their present wages.

The combining of our public safety officers who are trained in police as well as fire with the volunteer fire department enables us to master manpower of 80 firefighters at any major fire in the area. Presently our public safety vehicles are equipped with firefighting equipment.

Experience shows that more than 70 per cent of the fires are extinguished before the heavy apparatus arrives. We believe the combination of our Public Safety Department with the volunteer firemen would double our firefighting capacity. The total cost of the expansion of the department would be approximately \$250,000.

WE ARE GIVING great emphasis to our public works budget and have allocated approximately 150 per cent increase due to the fact we believe there is a great need for improved services in the area affected.

We plan on a high priority for road maintenance to provide the services at the same level being offered to the existing city. Some of the basic services that will be initiated will be weekly unlimited volume rubbish pickup, monthly brush pickup, street lights at every intersection, snow plowing, oiling of gravel roads, street sweeping and other general services.

The opposition to the annexation proposal has questioned the city's ability to finance and program community-wide capital improvements within our present tax rates. That is why we have separated each major project within the budget allocating necessary monies for the proper amortization of these programs.

Proposed Annexation Budget

	Existing City (11,000)	Proposed City (30,000)
REVENUES		
General Property Taxes	\$496,800	\$1,122,000
State Return	283,900	768,000
License Permits	23,900	80,000
Fines	48,000	125,000
Miscellaneous	40,350	60,000
Previous Balance	11,050	
	\$904,000	\$2,155,000
EXPENDITURES		
General Government	\$82,030	\$100,000
Staff Agencies	91,440	150,000
Public Safety	297,140	550,000
Public Works	224,955	550,000
Public Health & Welfare	3,650	10,000
Library	84,000	200,000
Miscellaneous	120,785	200,000
Debt Service Capital Improvements:		
Master Plan Drainage Program	-0-	120,000
Civic Arena & Community Swimming Pool	-0-	110,000
Park Expansion Program	-0-	50,000
Dept. of Public Works Equipment	-0-	75,000
Contingent Fund	-0-	40,000
	\$904,000	\$2,155,000

The master plan drainage program for Sections 34, 35 and 36 has been estimated at a cost of \$1,250,000 which can be financed over a 20-year period, the drain at large under county drain district at an estimated annual cost of \$120,000.

THE CONSTRUCTION of a civic arena (ice skating rink) and community swimming pool is estimated at a cost of \$1 million. This can be financed over a 30 year period at a cost of \$110,000 per year.

The park expansion program calls for acquisition of four neighborhood parks in connection with the following school sites: William Grace School, Westbrook School, 8 Mile-Haggerty school site and 11 mile-Halstead school site.

This land acquisition can be made with the State of Michigan participating 80 per cent of the cost under the \$100 million State Recreation Bond. Issue. The township has not even made application for these funds that will expire July 1, 1971 and will be a great loss to the community.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC Works equipment — the city anticipates acquiring \$250,000 in equipment for the Public Works Department so that we have the necessary tools to provide the same level of service that is presently being offered to the city residents.

In conclusion, we discover after all these capital improvement payments have been budgeted plus the expansion of the various departments within the city structure to give the same level of service to the entire area, the City would still end up with a surplus of \$40,000 utilizing our present tax rate.

'Party Hacks' Don't Rule

EDITOR: The actions of so-called Republican leaders of Farmington Township in relation to their nominee for supervisor certainly don't sit well with independent voters like ourselves. How can the Republican party attract independent voters if they think they can pull a charade like the present attempt to foist an unknown self as a write-in candidate for supervisor after Earl Teeple was chosen in the primary? MR. AND MRS. JOHN WRIGHT Farmington

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