



Kim Marks, a member of the Farmington High chapter of Students Against Drunk Driving, is against legalization of drugs. "They're going to say, 'It's legal. I can do it,'" she said.



Sarah Duff said peer pressure makes the drug problem even more difficult and that teenagers have trouble saying drugs are bad.



Mike Karim, 17, believes education at an early age could help the drug problem.

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Bush message spurs mixed views

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anti-drug education at a younger age would help.

"Education has to start early," he said. "That would help better than giving it in the ninth grade. We're going to have to teach at a young age, and let the rest of society die out, fade."

Debbi Hill said, "Teenagers believe they're invincible, so I really don't think education is the answer."

BASHAR HANNOSE agrees with the education concept but wants pressure put on at the source. "With all this education, are the drugs just going to go

away?" he asked. "It's got to start at the source, doesn't it?"

He did agree with the teamwork concept in drug education, however. "Juniors and seniors should go talk to the younger kids. We should show them... there's no reason you should be pressured into doing anything."

Peer pressure doesn't help the problem at all, said Sarah Duff, who tried to inject a bit of reality to last week's discussion. "We're not walking our talk," she said. "Most of us do the exact opposite of what we're saying."

"No one wants to make the first move to say drugs aren't OK."

Novi splits on Haggerty connector

By Philip Jerome
staff writer

Novi City Council took another step toward making the proposed Haggerty Road Connector a reality by adopting a resolution of "independent utility" at its Aug. 23 meeting.

The decision was far from unanimous, however, as the council approved the resolution on a 4-3 vote.

City Manager Edward Kriewalt said approval of the "independent utility" resolution is important to the

future of the Haggerty Road Connector, which calls for construction of an interchange west of 12 Mile, west of Haggerty, and a new roadway from 12 Mile to Pontiac Trail.

Project cost has been estimated at \$72 million.

The resolution was requested by officials from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) at an Aug. 9 meeting of the communities directly affected by the Haggerty Road Connector Project and the Oakland County Road Commission. Although all governmental units

impacted by the project have endorsed one of the alternatives for the roadway, several passed resolutions that call for road improvements in addition to the Haggerty Road Connector.

MDOT officials asked those units of government at the Aug. 9 meeting to remove those contingencies and support the project with "no strings attached."

"Basically, MDOT officials are at the point where they have to approach federal agencies to secure funding for the project," Kriewalt said.

"The only issue we have to decide is whether or not this project has 'independent utility,'" said Kriewalt. "And we believe there is 'independent utility' to the Haggerty Road Connector. We feel there is a very

clear benefit to the City of Novi for this project to be approved."

City councilwoman Martha Hoyer, a strong supporter of the Haggerty Road Connector and a member of the Haggerty Corridor Planning Committee, also urged the council to approve the resolution of "independent utility."

"Basically, we have three choices," said Hoyer. "We can wait two years until the Environmental Protection Agency completes the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for extension of a north-south roadway beyond Pontiac Trail and then find ourselves responsible for 7.5 percent of the state's share of the overall project cost."

"We can proceed with the resolution of 'independent utility.'"

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on the agenda

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

Farmington Hills City Council
City Hall
31555 11 Mile
7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 11

Unfinished business:

- Consideration of enactment of an ordinance to amend Article VI, of the city code, carnivals, amusements and special events and approval of summary of publication.

- Consideration of final approval of agreement for construction of Fire Station 1 on Nine Mile Road west of Drake Road.

New business:

- Consideration of request for new Class C liquor license, with dance permit for San Marino Golf Course and request for approval that Al Morrison be approved to operate the clubhouse restaurant as "On The Tee, Inc." and the Pro Shop as "The San Marino Pro Shop, Inc."

- Consideration of request for new Class B liquor license for Bone Yard II Restaurant, at 31006 Orchard Lake Road.

City manager reports:

- Recommends award of bids for expansion and remodeling of City Hall - assessors offices and addition to city hall parking lot.

- Recommends award of bids for 1989 various intersection improvements - Heritage Park to LDS Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$383,000.

Consent agenda:

- Recommends award of bid for 1989 various intersection improvements to ABC Paving Co. in the amount of \$87,715.50.

- Recommends award of bid for police department towing services contract to J.J. Hadley Towing to extend through July 1992.

- Recommends award of bid for installation of central air conditioning for Fire Station 3 to Commercial Air Systems in the amount of \$5,900.

- Recommends approval to purchase IBM Computers as part of the city's Office Automation Plan from C.G. Enterprises in the amount of \$4,930 and to Midwest Business Equipment in the amount of \$8,008.

- Recommends approval of special event license for St. Alexander Catholic Church to hold their annual festival Sept. 22-24.

- Recommends approval of special event license for Farmington Square Subdivision to hold the second annual bike parade on Sept. 24.
- Recommends approval of executive session to discuss pending litigation and property acquisition.

Farmington Board of Education
Board Meeting Room
Lewis Schulman Center
32500 Shlawassee
Tuesday, Sept. 12

At 7 p.m., the board's safety & operations committee will meet to discuss a safety concern at Colfax & Farmington Road.

At 7:30 p.m., the regular meeting will begin.

- Under president: selection of consultant for the superintendent search.
- Under superintendent: award of bids for Hillside Elementary Phase 3; facsimile purchases; lawn mower purchase, truck purchases for maintenance and operations.

- Under unfinished business: adopting a policy moving board meetings to 8 p.m.

Farmington Hills Planning Commission
Farmington Hills City Hall
Council Chambers
31555 11 Mile
7:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 14

Planners will consider seven site plans and the following four rezoning requests:

- west side of Middlebelt, between Grand River and Belfast, OS-1, office service district, to B-3, general business district. Proponent: David Donnellon. Owner, David Fordon.

- west side of Drake, between 13 and 14 Mile, RA-1, one-family residential district, to RA-2, one-family residential district. Proponent: Marvin Rollins, Charter Land Corp.

- south side of 13 Mile, east side of Middlebelt, RA-1B, one-family residential district, to RCE, elderly housing residential district. Proponent: Assisted Care Inc. Owners, Herberg Ludwig, Patrick Carron.

- north side of 11 Mile, between Orchard Lake Road and Power, RA-2, one-family residential district, to OS-1, office service district. Proponent: Sandra Murphy, Pavilion Design & Building. Owner, Mary Hurd.