

# Singer adds another note to career



Frances Nero

By ALICE COLLINS  
Staff Writer

Twice in her life Frances Nero, under contract with Motown Records for a stint in the mid-60s, got to know what it was like to be a musical star.

Now, the Southfield resident whose legal name is Frances Hines, is going for it again.

This time she'll produce her own recordings of her own songs. "I'm working closely with Sylvia Mui who has a great track record with hits for Stevie (Wonder) and other Motown artists," Nero explained during an interview at her home. "I

do the writing and the melody, and Sylvia, who has a studio in Detroit, takes care of the technical parts of the production. We'll be marketing the demos to major record labels."

Events over the past two years have boosted the singer's confidence and optimism. "I'm also more serious about it now that I'm older."

## Overseas success

While many of Nero's neighbors and acquaintances don't know it, the outgoing, attractive wife and mother of three is recognized in the United Kingdom as a top recording artist. Her 1989 recording of an Ivy Hunter song "Footsteps Following Me," soared to the top of the charts in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland in 1990-91.

"I had no idea what to expect the

first time I went to London to promote it," she said. After appearances in clubs and on radio and TV, "People actually started recognizing me on the street. I enjoyed it."

Also, "Footsteps," which reached No. 3 on the national radio play list in England behind No. 2 Cher and No. 1 Michael Bolton, never made it big in the United States. It was released here last August. "It wasn't promoted and nothing happened," she said.

The story of Nero's musical career began back in Asheville, N.C., where she was raised. She was in the high school glee club and also sang regularly at local clubs around North and South Carolina with a band composed of fellow students. "We called ourselves The Fabulous Tams."

Nero was young when she mar-

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## FARMINGTON HILLS

Police Auction  
Friday, June 26, 10:00 a.m.  
31555 11 Mile Rd.

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## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

INDIANBROOK SUBDIVISION ROAD REHABILITATION  
S.A.D. C-252  
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS  
OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Farmington Hills, Oakland County, Michigan at the Clerk's Office at 31555 11 Mile Road until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 7, 1992 at which time and place, all proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.

This project will be set as one contract and consists of approximately 3100 Linear Feet of road rehabilitation (12' wide). The proposal will include the re-

moving of the existing pavement, placing new aggregate to achieve a proper crown and placement of a 3" top course. As an alternate, the City will consider pulverizing the material on site, utilizing a portion of it to build a proper crown and placement of a 3" top course. The approximate quantities of major items of work are as follows:

Pulverizing Pavement/Removal	7,000 Square Yards
Hot Mix Asphalt	1,200 Tons
Plus, all miscellaneous items necessary for a completed project	

Plans, specifications and proposal forms may be obtained at the City Clerk's Office at the above address on or after Monday, June 29, 1992 upon deposit of \$20.00, which is non-refundable. Proposals must be submitted in proposal form furnished by the City of Farmington Hills. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a Certified Check or Bid Bond by a recognized surety company in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid, payable to the City of Farmington Hills, as security for acceptance of the Contract.

The City reserves the right to waive any or all proposals, to waive irregularities and/or informants, and to make the award, that in the opinion of the City Council is in the best interest, and to the advantage of the City of Farmington Hills.

KATHRYN A. DORNAN  
City Clerk

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## CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

### CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE ZONING MAP AMENDMENT

DATE: JULY 20, 1992  
TIME: 7:30 P.M.  
PLACE: Farmington Hills City Hall  
31555 Eleven Mile Road  
Farmington Hills, MI 48338

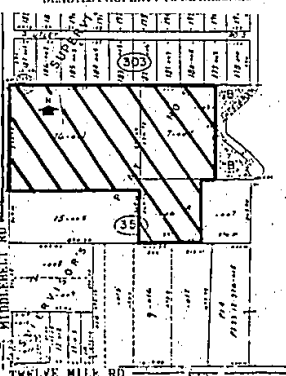
ITEM: Rezoning Request 3-4-92

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Farmington Hills City Council will give formal consideration to a proposed amendment to the official Zoning Map of the City of Farmington Hills by amending Section 34.33 of the City Code by changing the zoning classification of the following parcel of property as follows:

Revised from RA-1A, One-Family Residential District classification to RA-1B, One-Family Residential District classification  
22-122-551-001,002,006  
T1N. 36E. Lots 7 & 16 and part of Lot 8 of Supervisor's Plat No. 9, Section 12, City of Farmington Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, located on the east side of Middlebelt Road, north of Twelve Mile Road

The proponent in this matter is Stanley Finisher, Nolan Enterprises, who seeks this rezoning for development of single-family residential homes. Any person who is interested in this proposed zoning map amendment is invited to participate in the discussion of the proposed zoning change at the public hearing above mentioned. Copies of the Zoning Text, Zoning Map, and Application for Rezoning may be observed at the Planning Office, Farmington Hills City Hall at 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan on any business day between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

CROSSHATCHED AREA IN BOLD  
DENOTES PROPERTY TO BE REZONED



DALE A. COUNTEGAN, Director  
Planning & Community Development  
City of Farmington Hills

Rezoning ZH 3-4-92  
Phone: 473-2543  
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## CITY OF FARMINGTON 1992 SUMMER TAX PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Farmington Summer 1992 Property Tax Statement is payable from July 1, 1992 through August 31, 1992 without penalty. 4% penalty added on September 1, 1992.

Treasurer's Office will be open for payment of Taxes from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday with the following exception:

Friday, July 3, 1992 CLOSED ALL DAY

A depositary is located in the City Hall lobby.

Applications for deferment of 1992 taxes are available at the City of Farmington Treasurer's office. If your income for 1991 did not exceed \$20,000 and you are a paraplegic, quadriplegic, senior citizen, eligible serviceman, eligible widow, blind, or totally or permanently disabled, your application must be filed with the City of Farmington Treasurer's office not later than September 15, 1992. Deferred Summer Taxes may be paid without penalty until February 28, 1993.

By law, if the last day for payment falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the last day will be extended to include the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.

PATSY K. CANTRELL  
Treasurer

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## CITY OF FARMINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS (Summary)

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was called to order by Mayor Hartsock at 8:00 p.m. on June 15, 1992, in Council Chambers, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

PRESIDENT: Campbell, McShane, Harbison, Richardson, Capper  
OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Deadman, Director Lauhoff, Director Hill, Ing. Admin. Assistant Schulz, City Clerk Busbey.

Minutes of the previous meeting of June 1, 1992, were approved as written. Minutes of other boards were received and/or filed.

Council approved the requested sign variance for 32710 Grand River. Council granted the requested fence variance at 22358 Floral.

Council approved the closing of Raphael Street and Shuwassee Road for the annual Rock Day.

Council supported Public Act 196 re. financing PII service. Council adopted the following resolutions:

Amending the 3-year agreement with AFSCME Local 1458.  
Amending the City Manager's agreement and ICMA Retirement Trust Agreement.

Authorizing contractor/engineering payments. Sewer Improvement Project.  
Authorizing DPW roof replacement and repairs.

Authorizing reduction in recycling fee.  
Amending Cemetery Regulations requiring vaults.

Authorizing use of municipal credit fund for senior and handicapped transportation.  
Awarding 1992 Street Repair bid to Italia Construction at \$41,910.00.

Supporting U.S. House Bill 4550 re. Cable TV.  
Public comments and Council comments and announcements were heard.

Council made the following appointments to:  
Planning Commission: 3-year term to expire June 15, 1995: William Horke.

William Ingalls-James Stark.  
Farmington Area Commission on Aging: 3-year term to expire June 15, 1995: Geraldine Dielenheim.

Council adopted the following ordinance:  
ORDINANCE SUMMARY  
C-298-92

Council adopted an ordinance to amend Chapter 34, Water and Sewer, Article III, Sewer Disposal, Section 3-120. The amendment to the city's water and sewer ordinance provides for additional regulations to the use of the city's sewer system. The regulations prohibit storm water and ground water from yard drains, patio drains, catch basins, downspouts, and perimeter drains from being discharged into the city's sanitary sewer system. It further provides that roof drains shall not discharge into any area within 5 feet of a building wall nor within 10 feet of any property line. A true copy of the complete ordinance can be inspected or obtained at the office of the Farmington City Clerk at 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan.

Monthly bills were approved for payment.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.  
WILLIAM S. HARTSOCK, Mayor  
JOSEPHINE M. BUSHEY, City Clerk

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# REGISTRATION NOTICE

FOR  
GENERAL  
PRIMARY ELECTION  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1992

To the Qualified Electors:  
THE CITY OF FARMINGTON  
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT  
I WILL BE IN MY OFFICE  
23600 LIBERTY STREET, FARMINGTON, MICHIGAN  
ON  
MONDAY, JULY 6, 1992 - LAST DAY  
From 8:30 o'clock a.m. until 4:30 o'clock p.m.

For the purpose of receiving applications for registration of the qualified electors in said City.

No person whose registration is received after 4:30 p.m. on that date shall be entitled to vote in the election of August 4, 1992.

Applications for registration may be made to the City Clerk of the City of Farmington, or any Secretary of State office, or elsewhere as permitted by law.

The City Clerk's office is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for the nomination and election of candidates for various offices. Persons who are currently registered need not reregister.

JOSEPHINE M. BUSHEY,  
City Clerk

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## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS Botsford Elementary School 1992 Reroofing Project

The project consists of single-ply reroofing, approx. 25,000 sq. ft.

Botsford Elementary School  
19515 Lathers  
Livonia, MI 48152

A five (5) percent bid bond or certified check, and a one hundred (100) percent labor and material bond and performance bond are required for this project. Plans and Specifications will be available starting noon June 23, 1992 from Munnell Associates, 17500 W. Eight Mile Rd., Suite 6, Southfield, MI 48075, (313) 559-2360, FAX (313) 559-2645. A fifty (50) dollar deposit will be required to obtain plans and specifications. This deposit shall be refundable upon (1) receipt of a complete bid, and (2) return of the plans and specifications to the office of Owner's Representative within thirty (30) calendar days after the bids are due (after this 30 day period, all remaining checks will be deposited).

Bids are due at 4:00 p.m., E.D.T., on Monday, July 6, 1992, to the attention of Mr. Ralph Szoracki, Assistant Superintendent, Charlevoix Schools, 20210 Middlebelt Road, Livonia, MI 48152 (tel: (313) 473-8900). A prebid meeting will be held on Friday, June 26, 1992 at 3:00 P.M. at the Botsford Elementary School which time plans and specs will be available. Questions regarding this project shall be directed to Munnell Associates (313) 559-2360. Questions regarding distribution of plans and specifications shall be directed to Munnell Associates (313) 559-2360.

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## REGISTRATION NOTICE for GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1992

To the Qualified Electors of Farmington Hills  
PRECINCTS 1-31  
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS  
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the LAST DAY FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATIONS for the above stated election will be:

MONDAY, JULY 6, 1992  
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Electors who wish to vote in the primary election must be registered to vote no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 6, 1992. Persons may register at any Secretary of State branch office, any county, city or township clerk's office, and at the Farmington Hills City Clerk's office at 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

By state law you must be registered 30 days prior to the election to be eligible to vote.

KATHRYN A. DORNAN  
City Clerk

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## CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS - CONT.

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT: A copy of the City's official statement relating to the bonds may be obtained by contacting Bendrinski & Co. at the address referred to below. The official statement is in a form deemed final by the City for purposes of paragraph (b)(1) of SEC Rule 13c-12 issued under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Rule"); but is subject to revision, amendment and completion in a final official statement.

After the award of the bonds, the City will provide on a timely basis 100 copies of a final official statement, as that term is defined in paragraph (e)(3) of the Rule, at the City's expense and such additional copies of the final official statement as reasonably requested by, and at the expense of, the successful bidder or bidders to enable such bidder or bidders to comply with paragraph (b)(4) of the Rule and the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. Requests for such additional copies of the final official statement shall be made to Bendrinski & Co. at the address set forth below within 24 hours of the award of the bonds.

CUSIP: CUSIP numbers will be printed on all bonds of this issue at the user's expense. Neither the failure to print numbers nor an improperly printed number shall constitute cause for the purchaser to refuse to accept delivery. The purchaser shall be responsible for requesting assignment of numbers and for the payment of any charges for the assignment of numbers.

DELIVERY OF BONDS: The City will furnish bonds ready for execution at its expense. Bonds will be delivered without expense to the purchaser at Detroit, Michigan. The usual closing delivery date for bonds is 15 days prior to the date of delivery of the bonds. If the bonds are not tendered for delivery by twelve o'clock noon, Eastern Daylight Time, on the 45th day following the date of sale, or the first business day thereafter if said 45th day is not a business day, the successful bidder may on that day, or any time thereafter until delivery of the bonds, withdraw his proposal by serving notice of cancellation in writing, on the undersigned, in which event the City shall return the good faith deposit. Payment for the bonds shall be made in Federal Reserve Funds. Accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds shall be paid by the purchaser at the time of delivery.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.

ENVELOPES containing the bids should be plainly marked "Proposal for Bonds".

FINANCIAL CONSULTANT: Further information regarding the bonds may be obtained from Bendrinski & Co., Municipal Finance Advisors, One Kennedy Square, Suite 2150, Detroit, Michigan 48226. Telephone: (313) 961-8222.

Director of Finance  
City of Farmington Hills

16. PUBLICATION OF BOND RESOLUTION: A copy of this resolution shall be published once in full in The Farmington Observer, a newspaper of general circulation within the City.

17. CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS: All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they may be in conflict herewith are hereby rescinded.

YEAS: Bates, Grant, Luchman, Marks, Sever and Vagnoni

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF OAKLAND

I, the undersigned, the City Clerk of the City of Farmington Hills, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of said City held on June 15, 1992, the original of which resolution is on file in my office. I further certify that notice of said meeting was given in accordance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act.

KATHRYN A. DORNAN  
City Clerk  
City of Farmington Hills

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