

# Warm welcome

## Law school eyes Duns Scotus; Southfield excited

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Southfield would welcome the Detroit College of Law with open arms if the 100-year-old educational institution decides to buy Duns Scotus, the closed Catholic friary at Nine Mile and Evergreen. Mayor Donald Fracassi said this week.

In fact, Fracassi said, city planners and other city officials "would be very willing to work with them" to help the school meet city regulations in any renovations they might want to make. "We're very excited about this," he said.

The site is one of three reportedly under consideration by DCL

officials. Others include the former Troy High School on Livernois and land on the Oakland Community College campus in Auburn Hills.

Duns Scotus, the 110-acre campus and buildings considered an architectural landmark and an area of peace and tranquility in busy Southfield, has been up for sale by the Franciscan Province for years. The Franciscans closed it in March 1992.

"I'm happy that they're interested," the Rev. Maynard Tetreault, Duns Scotus president, said Tuesday. "It would be a fine thing. But I just don't get excited about any of it till I get a sales agreement in my hands." "We've had about a half dozen

serious suitors so far and no agreements," he added. A rumor that an educational institution was interested in Duns Scotus had circulated in Southfield for some time. Interim Dean David Favre of DCL confirmed Monday that Duns Scotus was one of several sites in Oakland County being considered.

The college, at 130 E. Elizabeth near downtown Detroit, must expand but land it might use nearby is slated for a potential new Tiger Stadium. School officials have said they haven't been able to find any other suitable property in Detroit.

Both Fracassi and Tetreault said they didn't know whether the school was interested in all or just part of the Duns Scotus campus located on the northwest corner of the intersection.

The Southfield City Centre Advisory Board at its regular meeting Tuesday adopted a resolution to let DCL know it would be welcome into the city center area and to offer any assistance needed. Duns Scotus is on the fringe of the area in central Southfield designated for future planned redevelopment.

"It would be an asset to our community and neighboring communities," Fracassi said. "And geographically, it would be a terrific location for them (DCL)." Fracassi said the DCL search committee has explored Duns Scotus.

Favre said a decision is expected within a year. Southfield officials and the Franciscans were disappointed last July when the Metropolitan United Methodist Church of De-

troit, one of the largest congregations in Michigan, canceled its option to purchase 60 acres of Duns Scotus. However, persons close to the negotiations say the church hasn't completely abandoned the idea.

Before the church became interested, Duns Scotus was being sold to developer LoPatin and Co. for \$10 million to be transformed into a conference center and golf course. But, LoPatin withdrew its proposal and the property was again up for sale.

The closing of Duns Scotus and its St. Anthony's Chapel, a Catholic shrine, created a storm of controversy from those who wanted services there and many

others who simply visited the campus to enjoy its beauty and serenity.

Southfield pursued placing the site under the protection of a historic district ordinance in order to preserve it by regulating future changes, no matter who owned it. However, the city council has never acted on the proposed ordinance which has been strongly opposed by the Franciscans. The Franciscans maintain that such a designation would interfere with the ability to sell the property.

Detroit College of Law has almost 800 students. It operates from a 65,000 square-foot building that was built for the school in 1938 and later expanded.

**CITY OF FARMINGTON  
ELECTION NOTICE  
Public Accuracy Test**

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Accuracy Test will be taken by the City of Farmington for the November 2, 1993, City General Election. The test will be taken on Monday, October 25, 1993, at 3:00 p.m. at the City Clerk's Office, 21660 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan.

PATSY K. CANTRELL, City Clerk

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS  
CITY GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE  
PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST**

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Test for the November 2, 1993, CITY GENERAL ELECTION has been scheduled for Thursday, October 28, 1993 at 9:00 a.m., at the City Clerk's Office, 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the program and the computer being used to tabulate the results of the election, counts the votes in the manner prescribed by the law.

KATHRYN A. DORNAN, City Clerk

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CITY OF FARMINGTON**

THE PLANNING COMMISSION of the City of Farmington will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on Monday, November 8, 1993, at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 21660 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan, for the purpose of reviewing proposed amendments to the Farmington Zoning Ordinance and Sign Ordinance regarding the parking of commercial vehicles.

It is proposed Chapter 25, Zoning, Section 35-203 and Section 35-223 would be amended as follows:

Site plans approved subsequent to the effective date of this ordinance will require commercial vehicles be parked when the business is closed in designated areas.

For remaining properties commercial vehicles shall not be parked when the owner or occupant is closed adjacent to the public right-of-way except when the commercial vehicles under control of the owner exceed the available spaces.

The Planning Commission shall designate the number and location of parking spaces which shall be devoted to the parking of commercial vehicles on any new parking lot site plan requests.

Parking spaces needed to meet minimum parking requirements shall not be used for the storage of commercial or recreational vehicles.

It is proposed Chapter 25, Signs, Section 25-8 would be amended as follows:

Commercial vehicles with signs shall not be parked in parking areas adjacent to the public right-of-way except when the commercial vehicles under the control of the owner exceed available parking spaces.

Complete copies of the proposed ordinances are on file in the office of the City Clerk for public inspection.

All interested persons will be given an opportunity to express their views at the above time and place. Any additional information desired regarding the above is available at the office of the City Clerk.

PATSY K. CANTRELL, City Clerk/Treasurer

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON  
CITY GENERAL ELECTION**

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the City General Election will be held in the City of Farmington, County of Oakland, State of Michigan on

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1993

AT THE PLACES OF HOLDING THE ELECTIONS IN SAID CITY AS INDICATED BELOW, VIZ:

PRECINCT NO. 1 - FARMINGTON CITY HALL, 21660 Liberty St.  
PRECINCT NO. 2 - TEN MILE COMMUNITY SCHOOL, 32789 W. Ten Mile Road  
PRECINCT NO. 3 - FARMINGTON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, 32000 Silvercrest  
PRECINCT NO. 4 - FLANDERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 31600 Flanders St.  
PRECINCT NO. 5 - LONGACRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 34850 Arundel  
PRECINCT NO. 6 - FARMINGTON TRAINING CENTER, 33000 Thomas St.

For the purpose of electing three (3) candidates for City Council.

ALL OF THE ABOVE POLLING PLACES ARE ACCESSIBLE TO VOTERS WHO ARE HANDICAPPED.

Any voter who requires assistance to vote by reason of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write, may be given assistance by two inspectors who have expressed a preference for different political parties. A blind person may be assisted by a member of his or her immediate family or by any designated person 18 years of older.

THE POLLS OF SAID ELECTION WILL BE OPEN AT 7 O'CLOCK A.M. AND WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 8 O'CLOCK P.M. ON ELECTION DAY.

NOTICE - ABSENT VOTER BALLOTS  
The last day to request an Absent Voter Ballot for mailing for the City General Election of November 2, 1993 is until 2:00 p.m., Saturday, October 30, 1993. The City Clerk's office will be open on October 30, 1993 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

PATSY K. CANTRELL, City Clerk

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**CITY GENERAL ELECTION  
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS  
OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

To the Qualified Electors:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A CITY GENERAL ELECTION will be held in the CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS Precincts No. 1-31 County of OAKLAND, State of MICHIGAN

TUESDAY, November 2, 1993

AT THE PLACE OR PLACES OF HOLDING THE ELECTION IN SAID CITY AS INDICATED BELOW, VIZ:

Precinct 1 - Power Middle School  
Precinct 2 - Farmington Community School  
Precinct 3 - Woodcrest School  
Precinct 4 - St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
Precinct 5 - St. Alexander's Church  
Precinct 6 - Larkshire School  
Precinct 7 - Hillside School  
Precinct 8 - East Middle School  
Precinct 9 - East Middle School  
Precinct 10 - Dunckel Middle School  
Precinct 11 - North Farmington High School  
Precinct 12 - Mercy Center  
Precinct 13 - William Grace School  
Precinct 14 - Alameda School  
Precinct 15 - Finnish Center  
Precinct 16 - Fairview School  
Precinct 17 - First Presbyterian Church  
Precinct 18 - Highmeadow School  
Precinct 19 - Forest School  
Precinct 20 - William Tyndale College  
Precinct 21 - Forest Park Baptist Church  
Precinct 22 - North Farmington High School  
Precinct 23 - Kenbrook School  
Precinct 24 - William Tyndale College  
Precinct 25 - Gill School  
Precinct 26 - Hope Lutheran Church  
Precinct 27 - Fire Department Headquarters  
Precinct 28 - Faith Covenant Church  
Precinct 29 - Finnish Center  
Precinct 30 - Gill School  
Precinct 31 - Dunckel Middle School

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This Election is Being Held For the Purpose of Electing the Following:

FOUR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO BE ELECTED FOR REGULAR TERM.

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS  
SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR PUBLIC HEARING  
OCTOBER 18, 1993**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bates at 7:30 p.m. Members Present: Bates, Grant, Lichtman, Marks, Sever, Smith and Vagzorri. Members Absent: None. Others Present: City Manager Costick, City Clerk Dornan, Assistants Call and Brock, Directors Countegian and Blassel and Attorney Donohue.

MAYOR PROCLAIMED:

- October 23, 1993, as Make A Difference Day, encouraging volunteerism in the City.

COUNCIL:

- Directed Staff to study implementation of Community Dispute Resolution Program for City.
- Agreed to bell ringing fundraiser challenge with the City of Farmington Council for the Salvation Army.
- Set study session date of November 13, 1993, to discuss Mercy Center facility issues.

APPROVED:

- Reservation of a Class C liquor license for Chlet of Farmington Hills, 30689 Grand River.
- Planned Unit Development for McDonald's Restaurant, Orchard Lake and Fourteen Mile Roads.
- Introduction of Ordinance amending City Code to add definition of commercial vehicle.
- Introduction of Ordinance amending City Code to clarify entranceway structure/size of signs.
- Enactment of Ordinance amending City Code, Appendix A (Franchises), by adopting cable rate regulations consistent with FCC regulations.
- Adoption of resolution authorizing execution of contract of lease with Building Authority for acquisition and renovation of Senior Citizen Facility land (Mercy Center) \$4,000,000 Building Authority Bonds.
- Adoption of Final Preliminary Plat for Arbor Oaks subdivision.
- Special Assessment District for road rehabilitation for Harlan Drive area and setting date of November 15, 1993, for the Public Hearing of Determination.
- Labor agreement with Teamsters Union Local 814.
- Executive Session to discuss labor negotiations and acquisition of sidewalk easements.

AWARDED BIDS FOR:

- Computer equipment, software and services to Entree Computer Center in the amount of \$76,244.
- Rock salt and sand chloride for snow and ice control to Morton International, Inc., in the amount of \$71,040; to North American Salt Company, Inc., in the amount of \$24,700, and to Construction Materials, Inc., in the amount of \$20,882.
- Sign shop materials for DPW to Hall Signs, Inc., in the amount of \$18,034.

NANCY BATES, Mayor  
KATHRYN A. DORNAN, City Clerk

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS  
SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE**

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE C-15-93, an ordinance to amend Appendix A, Franchises, of the Farmington Hills City Code. To Adopt Rate Regulations Consistent with Regulations Adopted by the Federal Communications Commission Pursuant to 47 USC 543(b).

THE CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS ORDAINS:

Section 1.  
Appendix A, Franchises, of the Farmington Hills City Code is hereby amended to add a new section to read as follows:

Section 4. Subscriber Service Rates.

- The City adopts by reference rules of the Federal Communications Commission set forth in Subpart N (Cable Rate Regulation) of Part 76 (Cable Television Service) of Chapter I of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulation Regarding the regulation of cable television rates for basic service and associated equipment, as amended.
- After a cable operator has submitted for review its existing rates for the basic service tier and associated equipment costs or a proposed increase in these rates, the clerk shall publish a public notice of the rates and costs giving interested parties, including the cable operator, a reasonable opportunity to file written comments which shall be available in offices of the Southwest Oakland Cable Commission for public inspection and copying during normal business hours.
- The City adopts by reference procedures set forth in 47 CFR 76.419 regarding confidential business information submitted by the cable operator in a rate regulation proceeding.
- A cable operator which willfully or repeatedly fails to comply with a rate decision or refund order directed specifically at the cable operator shall be subject to a monetary forfeiture as determined by the Southwest Oakland Cable Commission following the procedures set forth in 47 USC 543(d)(3), (d)(4) and (5), (A)(A), (B) and (C) which the City adopts by reference.
- In the event of a conflict between this ordinance and a cable television franchise, the provisions of this ordinance shall prevail. The City does not intend to repeal an existing rate regulation but preserves all authority it may have over cable television rates and service charges except to the extent preempted by the federal rate regulations described in Section (a) of this ordinance.
- The City delegates to the Southwest Oakland Cable Commission all of its authority to administer the regulation of cable television rates under this ordinance subject to all provisions of the Multi-Jurisdictional Cable Television Franchise Administration Agreement.

Section 2. Repealer  
Section 3. Severability  
Section 4. Saving  
Section 5. Effective Date: November 8, 1993  
Section 6. Enactment: October 18, 1993

KATHRYN A. DORNAN, City Clerk  
City of Farmington Hills

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