Compuware plays role in city's economic picture

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The Farmington Hills economic development picture is resy, especially if a substantial but remains in the arrangement. Economic Development Commission Director John Anhut told Farmington Hills City Council the area is within the 65-35 residential-business ratio

needed for a healthy tax base.
Of \$3.2 billion state equalized value of real property in the city, \$2.1 billion (\$5.4 percent) is residential while \$1.1 billion or \$3.1 billion or \$3.5 billion or \$3.5 billion or \$3.5 billion or \$3.5 billion while industrial makes up the remaining \$2.99 million.
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annual report at the Nov. 23 meeting. "Particularly if we keep someone in town, especially the new we been pursuing."

The one Anhut referred to is Compuware Corp., which is weighing a move to Detroit. Anhut and the EDC has been at the forefront in the effort to keep the computer software company in the Hills.

A decision could come any time during the next three months, reports said.

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The bottom line in keeping businesses is staying in contact with their owners, which is something Anhut said he does frequently. "That's my baby," he added. In the stay of the Botsford Inn is particularly concerned about the Grand River corridor.

The third phase of the EDCsponsored beautification project is nearly complete. Lights should be installed in December, Anhut

said.

Now the key is getting business and property owners asprace up their own areas.

Anhut is also worried about the impending loss of three businesses along the corden and the condenses and the condenses and the condenses are the condenses and the condenses are the condenses and the condenses are the condenses to prevent the glut of 5 pm. traffic. One company in the Farmington Hills Industrial Park area has heeded the advice. "It's helped," Anhut said.

City not likely to take action with store

Barring any unforescen cir-cumstances, the city of Farming-ton likely will not take legal action stemming from Farmer Jack's exit from the downtown center after all.

Jack's exit from the downtown center after all.
Farmington City Manager Frank Lauhoff Thursday said that talks are proceeding, albeit slowly, between all parties.
Hammering out a deal are: Farmer Jack's parent company, the Greater Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Downtown Farmington Center Inaldord Kimca Realty Corp.; local broker The Olsen Retail Group Inc.; and the new tenant being courted, a specialty grocery store.

Several weeks ago, Lauhoff pointed to a late November or early December completion of negotiations and suggested the city would pursue legal action against Farmer Jack/A&P in the vont talks stalled.

But now the city's stance has softened Lauhoff said there like ly won't be a lawsuit because on the control of the con

☑ 'The need for the city to take (legal) action is probably not going to occur.

Frank Lauhoff



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Closed: The Farmer Jack in the Downtown Farmington Center closed in late June.

which Lauhoff admitted tends to tives to meet, let alone have significant discussions. for officials and corporate execu-

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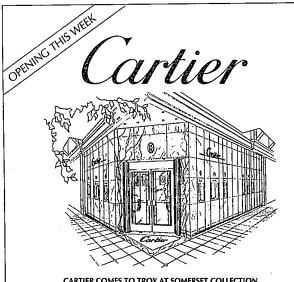
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