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Message from Your Mayor

Another year has passed with the fears of the past turning into the hopes and dreams of tomorrow. As the new Mayor and an eternal optimist, I know that our future will always be bright. I've had the good fortune of knowing all of the previously elected Mayors – people I admire and whose great leadership qualities I intend to emulate, and people who I am proud to call my mentors, colleagues, and friends.

I have the ability to learn from past events, to build on the good and let the few failures fall into the dust of forgotten history. I pledge to build on the accomplishments of my predecessors to keep Farmington Hills the city that others strive to copy, but never surpass -- a city that is the pinnacle of good government, forward thinking and service to our residents and businesses. As part of my stewardship of Farmington Hills, I want every citizen to believe that I am not bringing a new message; I am just a new messenger. Farmington Hills is not a city of "That's impossible," it is a city of "Why not?" and "How can we accomplish that goal?" Farmington Hills is a city that can take a mere thought and turn it into a grand reality, a city that turns today's challenges into tomorrow's triumphs.

Our city is the instrument that delivers services to the community. Our community is all of us living and working in the city. In order for the city to better serve the community, the city needs community input. The community has to ask the questions for the city to answer. Finding the answers is easier than asking the hard questions. As the new Mayor, I want the community to ask the hard questions. I want the members of the community to get involved with our city by joining our boards and commissions. I want the members of the community to help find the answers to those hard questions so that the city can further meet the needs of the community. I want our community to keep hoping and dreaming, turning the challenges into triumphs, and finding the answers to keeping Farmington Hills the best place to live.



Mayor Barry Brickner

– Mayor Barry Brickner

Fire Department

The Fire Department continued to provide excellent service to the people of our City. While facing cutbacks, the Department provided fast, efficient and cost-effective emergency service, even with a 7.5% increase in emergency incidents during 2011.

- The Department provides advanced life support (paramedic) services at all medical emergencies, extinguishes fires, responds to vehicular accidents, hazardous materials incidents and other emergencies, responds to incidents involving utilities, and responds as requested to Mutual Aid calls for service in surrounding communities.
- Inspectors provide fire inspections to local businesses while enforcing minimum requirements of the Fire Prevention code, provide acceptance testing for fire alarm systems throughout the City, offer fire evacuation planning and preparedness to local businesses, and also offer portable fire extinguisher training.
- Fire Investigators investigate the origin and cause of all fires in the City, and along with Police investigators, attempt to prosecute fires determined to be arson.
- Members of the Department serve as the Emergency Manager and Assistant Emergency Manager, working closely with the Michigan State Police Division of Homeland Security, and serve as liaisons to the award-winning Emergency Preparedness Commission.
- The Department has representation on numerous boards and committees, including S.A.F.E. Schools and Call to Action, and is actively involved in raising money for various community benefits and fundraisers.
- Members of the Department serve as team leaders for the Western Wayne County Hazardous Materials Response Team and the Urban Search and Rescue Team, and the Department is represented on the Oakland County Incident Management Team.
- Over 500 people attended the Fire Prevention Open House, which was held on a weekday for the first time.

2020 Visioning Process

In a renewed effort to stay connected with interested residents and gain valuable insights into what they want in the community, Farmington Hills embarked upon a 2020 Visioning Process. It was a citizen-driven effort, City staff was only there to help with meeting logistics.

- An open invitation was issued to residents to attend one of four open houses held in each corner of the City.
- Residents were asked "What do you like about the City?", "What do you dislike about the City?" and "What are your hopes and dreams for Farmington Hills?"
- Five committees were appointed to look ahead 10 years and identify what five specific aspects might look like in the future.
- The City conducted a standardized, statistically valid community-wide survey through the International City/County Management Association (ICMA).

The City Council is now having Study Sessions with each of the citizen committees. After these are completed, work will begin on developing action steps for implementation. Some of the ideas could happen quickly, while others will take more time, conversation, and consensus building.

This has been, and will continue to be, an excellent process driven by residents in our community. We'd like to thank all of those who participated on the committees and those who took the time to complete the survey. Together, we continue to build an even better Farmington Hills. Thank you.

Steve Brock - City Manager

Police Department

The past year was marked by a number of milestones and accomplishments:

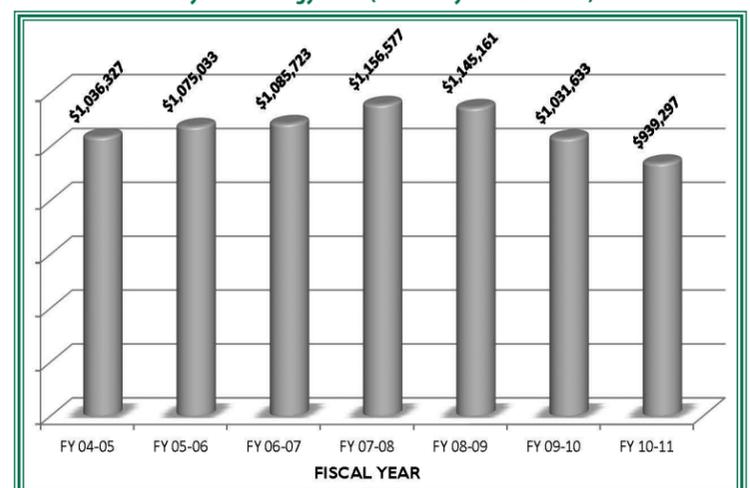
- Crime in Farmington Hills was once again on the decline with "Group A" offenses (the most serious classification) decreasing for the third straight year. These decreases earned Farmington Hills the distinction of remaining the Second Safest City in Michigan according to CQ Press and Sage Publications, which rate cities with populations of more than 75,000. Farmington Hills has received national and state safe city rankings for 17 straight years.
- The passage of the recent public safety millage will not result in additional full-time police employees. However, it will permit the department, for the first time in several years, to hire three new police officers as a result of recent retirements.
- The department created a new Police Services Aide (PSA) position to assist sworn personnel in the jail and at the Command Desk. The use of civilian PSAs will free sworn personnel for street duties.
- The department's ongoing commitment to provide quality training and prepare future leaders remained steady. Each sworn member of the department attended 40 hours of in-house training on topics selected by the Chief and executive members of the department. Deputy Police Chief Patrick Comini graduated from the 10-week FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia and Sergeants Bonnie Unruh and Jon Haupt graduated from the 10-week Staff and Command Management School at Eastern Michigan University.
- In response to persons in our community suffering from depression and other mental health-related issues, the department played a role in the newly formed Farmington Area Suicide Prevention Task Force. Anyone needing help is encouraged to call the Common Ground Crisis Line at 1-800-231-1127.

City-Wide Energy Efficiency – Progress Report

Since 2007, the City Hall Revitalization Project was completed, the Green Efforts Committee (now the Commission for Energy and Environmental Sustainability) was established, and many sustainability efforts were undertaken to save energy and reduce operating costs. Using a combination of capital and grant funding, energy efficiency retrofits were completed in City buildings, with improvements in lighting, heating, cooling and ventilation equipment, solar hot water heaters, and more.

Compared to FY 2007/2008, the City saved over \$217,000, or nearly 19%, in energy costs during FY 2010/2011; a portion of these savings resulted from the purchase of natural gas in a cooperative agreement with other municipalities. The City received grant funding to support the planting of over 250 trees and the retrofitting of nearly 200 street, parking lot and exterior building lights to Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs). The new LED lights will last longer, use half the energy of conventional lighting, and produce an estimated savings of \$11,470.

City-Wide Energy Costs (Electricity & Natural Gas)



Nature Center

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City Council

Mayor - Barry Brickner

Mayor Pro Tem - Nancy Bates

Michael Bridges

Randy Bruce

Richard Lerner

Ken Massey

Cheryl Oliverio

City Manager - Steve Brock

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Register online for classes and programs at <https://recreg.fhgov.com>. Or go to www.fhgov.com, click on Quick Links, then Recreation Online Registration.

If you have an account, follow the prompts to register. If you're new, create an account by registering online or in person at the Costick Center, Monday thru Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm.

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Special Services Department

Find out more about Special Services Department offerings! Become a friend on Facebook (search Farmington Hills Special Services), review the seasonal brochure, call 248-473-1800 or visit www.fhgov.com. To register for programs and events online, go to <https://recreg.fhgov.com>.

Cultural Arts Division



Glee Camp

Cultural Arts programs had higher than ever attendance and increased enrollment in 2011. The Public Art Program has helped make City Hall a destination for visitors. The exhibit features 74 pieces of artwork, on loan from area artists, in a variety of media including sculpture, glass, paintings, and fiber.

Glee Camp, a new summer program, lit up the stage at the Barn Theatre, featuring both solo and group performances. Other popular offerings included Youth Theatre camps, Art Adventure camps, and Young Rembrandts. Classes, music lessons, and workshops were also offered in various locations, including the Stables art studio at Heritage Park.

Over 300 youth and adults were cast in the Youth Theatre productions of "Beauty and the Beast, Jr." and "Aladdin, Jr." The Cultural Arts Concert Series brought sold-out crowds to the Barn Theatre with concerts by the Motown-inspired group Serieux, the Detroit Chamber Winds and Strings, Michigan Opera Theatre, Three Men and a Tenor, and Blackthorn. The Stars in the Park summer concerts, sponsored by Mercedes-Benz Financial Services, filled Heritage Park with thousands of attendees who enjoyed free evenings of country, jazz, pop, and big band music.

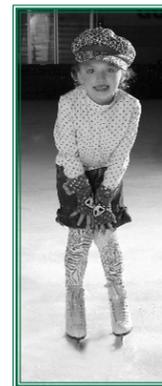
In a cooperative effort with the Farmington DDA, Art on the Grand had a second successful year on Grand River Avenue in downtown Farmington, attracting 115 artists from across the country.

Ice Arena

During 2011, the Ice Arena welcomed skaters of all ages at Learn-to-Skate, Open Skate, Drop-in Hockey, Mid-Day Skate, Parent and Tot Skate, Adult Skate, Figure Skating, Youth Hockey, and Adult Hockey. Figure Skaters and Learn-to-Skate students showcased their skills at the Annual Ice Show in May.

The Ice Arena is home to the Farmington Hills Hockey Association (FHHA), which serves 450 players at all skating levels and offers house and travel teams, plus the international TimBits development program. The '97 Flames (comprised of players born in 1997 or later) won the State Championship, while the '96 Flames were State Runners-Up! The Arena is also home to Michigan Mountain Cats Junior Hockey, high school hockey (Farmington Falcons, North Farmington/Harrison Flyers, Walled Lake Central, Catholic Central, and Northville) and high school figure skating (United Farmington and Mercy). The North Farmington/Harrison Flyers JV Hockey Team won the JV State Championship, while the United Farmington Figure Skating Team won State Championships at both Level A and B in 2011. It was a four-peat for the A team and a three-peat for the B team!

The Ice Arena offers many non-ice activities throughout the year including Youth & Family Services After-School Programs, Club 2nd Floor for high school students on Friday nights with bands, Summer Day Camps, Riley Skate Park for inline and skateboards, basketball, baseball, softball, soccer, beach volleyball, bocce ball, jogging, disc golf, and the Perani's Hockey World Clearance Sale.



Dates to Remember:
March 11: FHHA Championship Day
May 12-13: 16th Annual Ice Show
July 19-29: 19th Annual Perani's Hockey World Clearance Sale

For more information or for a list of upcoming events, visit www.fhice.com or call 248-478-8800.

Recreation Division



The Recreation Division promoted outdoor activity through facilities such as Riley Skate Park, which brings in visitors from around the country, and the Nature Center, which increased program offerings and hosted thousands of visitors. Field use saw an increase with higher participation in flag football, soccer, lacrosse, and baseball.

More than 20,000 people attended family events in 2011, including favorites such as the Daddy/Daughter Dance, Princesses & Super Heroes Fantasy Fun Night, Great Farmington Hills Campout, Hay Day, and the Holiday Shopping Expo. Among new events this year were the Adult Easter Egg Hunt, Splash Bash, and Pizzapalooza.

In 2011, the Recreation Division maintained current program offerings, plus developed new programs including archery, dog training, and nature based pre-school classes. Nearly 3,000 kids ages 4-15 signed up for over 20 different camps focusing on nature-related themes, sports, and more for an experience that was safe, fun, and memorable. New partnerships with area businesses were developed through sponsorships, volunteerism, and program coordination.

Youth & Family Services

New for 2011, 5th graders were welcomed to the After School Program, which had over 800 youth registered and close to 325 attending daily. The 2011 Summer Drop-in Program had a record 162 youth enrolled, with an average of 90 attending daily, and over 45 families who took advantage of early morning care. The most popular of the 27 field trips offered was the tour of the University of Michigan and Michigan Stadium where youth members stood on the 50 yard line, went through the locker room, and saw the campus.

New this year was a "Wilderness Wellness" program, where members increased their appreciation for the great outdoors while reinforcing school curriculum through hands-on experiences. The Girl Power Program had two separate classes for 5/6th and 7/8th grade girls with leadership programs at Heavner's Nature Connection in Milford reinforcing life lessons.

Even in this tough economy, new partnerships were cultivated. Best Buy of Farmington Hills donated funds and time, running the week-long Best Buy LEAP Program in partnership with former Detroit Lion Lomas Brown. Gordon Foods, Home Depot, and Busch's all greatly supported the After School Program. AEEs, a corporation based in Farmington Hills, once again worked with Youth & Family Services to provide dinners for needy local families.

Thanks to the continued support and generous donations from the Xemplar Club, the Riley Foundation, the Optimist Club, and the Farmington/Farmington Hills Foundation for Youth & Families, the City can continue to provide a safe and educational place for community youth during after-school hours.

Facilities Division

We hope to see you in 2012 for a class, program or special event at one of the City's facilities:

Costick Center – The 70,000 square foot facility includes a 25-yard swimming pool, gymnasium with stage, large commercial kitchen and meeting rooms ranging in size from 500 to 7,500 square feet.

Longacre House – This historic home, built in 1869, offers a charming and elegant setting for weddings, parties, receptions, business meetings, programs, banquets and social gatherings. The beautifully landscaped entryway and gazebo provide an attractive outdoor event site.

Jon Grant Community Center – The nearly 5,000 square foot Jon Grant Community Center offers a comfortable meeting space, the latest in high-tech equipment, and a 2,000 square foot Rec Room known as the Fire Pit.

Senior Division

The Senior Division meets the diverse needs of adult residents over 50 through daily and evening programs that promote education, socialization, health, and wellness. Community-based services are offered for those requiring home delivered meals, liquid nutrition, chore services, and outreach or transportation services. Significant accomplishments for 2011 included:

- The Meals on Wheels Program provided 71,969 meals and the Congregate Meal Program provided 18,755 on-site meals.
- Specialized Transportation and Dial-a-Ride cab provided 25,563 rides. The demand for wheelchair accessible rides increased to 2,504. Access to dialysis continues to be a critical service up to three days a week.
- The Fourth Annual Total Wellness Fair hosted exercise demos, dancing with the local stars, and health screenings provided by Madonna University nursing students. Vendor exhibits focused on healthy lifestyle choices with information, give-a-ways, and door prizes. Complimentary lunch was provided to all those over 60.
- "Pies on the Grand" baked and sold over 660 blueberry pies and 1,200 oatmeal blueberry cookies with all proceeds benefiting senior transportation.
- The top three spellers from the Annual Spelling Bee participated in the Oakland County Spelling Duel this fall. Kathy Lewis placed first and Ann Calvo placed third, both representing the Farmington area.
- New classes include brain games, evening financial retirement planning, home owner tips for emergencies, downsizing, and seminars relevant to the current economy.
- Shredding for Safety drew over 100 participants to the well-attended program offered quarterly.
- Youth Mentoring featured high school volunteers who offered individual tutoring in current technology to older adults.
- Six new laptop computers were acquired through donations to enhance computer instruction classes.

Finance Department

The Treasury Division is responsible for billing and collecting property taxes, not only for the City of Farmington Hills, but also as a collection agent for the local school districts, Oakland County, Oakland County Community College, the District Library, the State of Michigan and other governmental authorities.

During 2011, the Treasury Division issued over 60,000 tax bills and collected, deposited and remitted in excess of \$169 million of property taxes. The Division is also responsible for billing, collecting and accounting for non-property tax receipts, and investing surplus and idle funds in compliance with the City's Investment Policy.

The Assessing Division is in the fifth year of a five-year project to electronically convert all property sketches using Apex drawing software. This process allows the sketches to be available on the City website and saves time with future updates to the property.

The Accounting Division is responsible for paying vendors and employees, reconciling bank accounts, and producing the City's Budget and Financial Report on a timely and accurate basis.

The Finance Department also administers and accounts for all Pension System transactions, administers the Risk Management activities of the City, and establishes, manages, and accounts for all Special Assessments. In addition, the Finance Department is responsible for the City's Debt Management. The City of Farmington Hills maintains non-insured ratings as follows: AA+ from Standard & Poor's and Aa2 from Moody's.

Recent accomplishments/awards highlight the excellent job done by the City's Finance Department:

The City received an Unqualified Audit Opinion for the FY 2010/11 Audit, the 26th consecutive year the City has received a "clean" financial audit opinion.

The City received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers' Association (GFOA), for the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010 – 13 years in a row.

The City received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the GFOA – 26 years in a row.

City Clerk's Office

2011 was a year of transition for the City Clerk's Office. Pam Smith, former Deputy City Clerk, was appointed by City Council as the new City Clerk in June and new Deputy Clerk Angela Brunke was hired in October. A permanent part-time position was eliminated in continued efforts to streamline services.

Various permits were issued in 2011, which seemed indicative of the economic times and the need for people to seek alternative or additional employment opportunities; over 100 permits were approved and issued per City ordinances.

The Clerk's Office administered the November 8 City General Election where the ballot consisted of the office of Mayor and City Council, School Board Candidates, a Public Safety Millage and a Library Millage Renewal. This Election generated a 23.5% voter turnout, higher than average for a local Election.

Barry L. Brickner ran unopposed for Mayor, and the electors of Farmington Hills re-elected incumbents Randy Bruce and Ken Massey, and elected newcomer Richard Lerner to City Council. Elected to the Farmington Public School Board were Karen Bolsen and Howard I. Wallach for six-year terms, Murray J. Kahn for a four-year term, and George Gurrola for a partial term ending 12/31/2015. Both the Public Safety Millage and the Library Millage Renewal were passed by voters.

Important dates in 2012: February 28 – Presidential Primary | August 7 – Primary Election | November 6 – General Presidential Election

Department of Planning and Community Development

Community Development



The Pines Office Condominiums landscape



Sellers Buick GMC landscape

The Housing Rehabilitation Program assisted 33 lower-income homeowners with improvements. Work on the 33 homes included nine homes with new windows, eight replacement roofs, two new furnaces, three replacement sump pumps, and two replacement septic fields.

The Community Development Office supported Rebuilding Together to help 11 homeowners with yard work, painting, and other general household repairs.

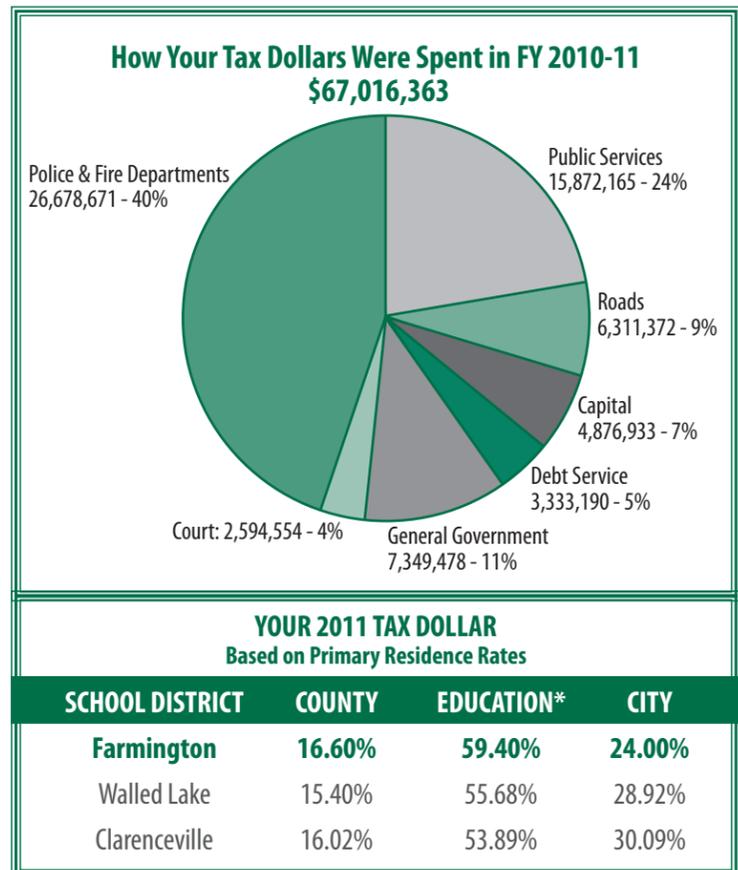
The Beautification Commission hosted the quarterly luncheon of the Beautification Council of Southeastern Michigan (BCSEM) in June 2011 at the Longacre House; 71 attendees from communities throughout the region heard a presentation on the City's sustainability efforts.

The 26th Annual Beautification Commission Awards Ceremony recognized beautification efforts throughout the City.

Top Awards

Sellers Buick GMC: Greater Farmington Area Chamber Award for the impressive landscape at their Grand River location

The Pines Office Condominiums: Beautification Commissioners Award for their extensive landscape renovation on Middlebelt, north of Northwestern Highway



* Local Schools – Oakland Intermediate Schools – Community College

Zoning Division

- Over 18,000 code violations were investigated to help enforce City Ordinances and keep Farmington Hills a desirable city in which to live and work. The primary focus was on blight abatement.
- Education and public outreach were provided on ordinance requirements through flyers, handouts and local newspapers.
- The Zoning Board of Appeals heard 26 cases at ten meetings appealing code and zoning requirements.

Building Division

- 15 new single family homes were constructed for a total of \$4,710,127 and nearly 34,412 square feet of new commercial development were constructed for a total of \$2,583,361.
- Permits were issued for \$3,686,952 in home improvements and \$17,892,404 in commercial renovations.
- 22 substandard buildings were demolished as part of ongoing revitalization efforts. 17 were residential and 5 were commercial.
- 200 properties, including both commercial and residential structures, were identified as needing major repairs with followup to eliminate code deficiencies. Currently, of the 200 properties, 23 permits remain open, with 177 closed out.

Planning Division

The Planning Office processed, and the Planning Commission reviewed, 11 site plans this year. They included plans for two new residential subdivisions, one new office building, and eight commercial projects.

Ordinance amendments needed to implement Master Plan goals and policies help to ensure continued investment in Farmington Hills. This past year, three new zoning overlay districts were created: Freeway Redevelopment Overlay District 1 (FWR-1), 2 (FWR-2), and 3 (FWR-3). These districts were created to allow for increased densities and building heights along the I-275 freeway corridor. The Planning Commission also initiated other overlay and mixed use districts along the Orchard Lake Road corridor that should be enacted within the next year.

The Historic District Commission was busy this past year. The Lambert Sellers Barn, located at 29980 Ten Mile Road, was the latest property to be included as a Historic District within the City when the Council adopted an ordinance to designate the barn as an historic structure. New historic markers were installed for the Boorne Halsted House, located at 28325 Halsted Road, and the Ely Stodgell House, located at 29240 Spring Street. More information about historic properties can be found in annual newsletters, educational events open to the public, and in a new and improved webpage, www.fhgov.com/Community/HistoricDistrict.asp.



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Department Heads



Front row, left to right: Nate Geinzer, Management Assistant; Dave Boyer, Special Services Director; Dana Whinnery, Assistant City Manager; Chuck Nebus, Police Chief; Dale Countegan, Planning and Community Development Director.

Back row, left to right: Dave Gajda, Finance Director; Corey Bartsch, Fire Chief; Pam Smith, City Clerk; Steve Brock, City Manager; Mike Lasley, Central Services Director; Teri Arbenowske, Economic Development Director; Gary Mekjian, Public Services Director.

Human Resources - Employee Wellness Program

Participation in the Farmington Hills Fit for Life employee wellness program increased for the sixth consecutive year with over 125 employees participating. Employees were encouraged to make lifestyle improvements by participating in wellness activities including Lunch 'N Learns, a health fair, body composition analysis, and smoking cessation. The free web-based SparkPeople Team encouraged employees to track nutrition and fitness activities and access resources to inspire healthy living. Fit for Life was featured at the 2011 Crain's Health Care Leadership Summit as a case study of a highly successful and innovative employee wellness program.

Video Division

In 2011, the City's Video Division received:

- One National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Emmy Award
- Six Emmy Award nominations from the Michigan Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences
- The "Leland Gayheart Prevention Award" from the University of Michigan for "Farmington Hills Fire Department: Project Hot Stove"

The Video Division also created a presentation for the Farmington Hills/Farmington Emergency Preparedness Commission, which was named the 2010 Michigan Citizen Corps Council of the Year.

Watch the City's cable television channel on Brighthouse Channel 8 and AT&T Channel 99 for information concerning City projects, activities, and programs. Visit www.swocstudios.com for video on demand, scheduling, and contact information.



Download the QR (Quick Response) App and scan this QR code with your SmartPhone to link directly to the "FHFHD: Project Hot Stove" video.

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Department of Public Services

Engineering Division Construction Projects

Completed in 2011:

- Roads**
 14 Mile Rd – Middlebelt to Northwestern Hwy: *Reconstructed (FH)*
 Grand River Ave – 8 Mile to Purdue: *Widened lanes (MDOT)*
- Traffic Signals**
 12 Mile Rd – Haggerty to Inkster: *Retiming (RCOC)*
 Middlebelt Rd – 8 Mile to 14 Mile: *Retiming (RCOC)*
 Inkster Rd – 8 Mile to Purdue: *Retiming (RCOC)*
 Grand River Ave – 8 Mile to Purdue: *Modernize signals (RCOC)*

- New Sidewalks**
 Halsted Rd – Windwood to Grand River: *(FH)*

- Water Main**
 Grand River Ave – Middlebelt to Colwell: *Relined (FH)*

Scheduled for 2012:

- Roads**
 14 Mile Rd – 1300 feet east of Haggerty (City western limit) to Drake Rd: *Reconstruct (FH)*
 Northwestern Highway – Beck Rd (Southfield) to Orchard Lake Rd: *Resurfacing (MDOT)*
 Independence Avenue – Middlebelt to Colwell: *Rehabilitate (FH)*
 I-275 at 9 Mile Rd: *Bridge deck replacement (MDOT)*
 Holly Hill Farms Subdivision: *Road rehabilitation (FH)*
 Glenbrook Subdivision (Minglewood Road): *Road rehabilitation (FH)*
 Springland Subdivision: *Road rehabilitation (FH)*
 LaMueria Estates: *Road rehabilitation (FH)*
- New Sidewalks**
 Independence Ave – Waldron to Roosevelt: *(FH)*
 8 Mile Rd – Lujon to I-275: *(FH)*
 10 Mile Rd (north side) – I-275 to Research Dr: *(FH)*

- Water Main**
 Oxford – Shiawassee to Independence: *Replace (FH)*
 Waldron – Shiawassee to Grand River: *Replace (FH)*
 Collingham – Shiawassee to Grand River: *Replace (FH)*
 Independence – Middlebelt to Colwell: *Replace (FH)*

In conjunction with Oakland County, the Department of Public Services will be implementing a new program for reporting work orders called the Collaborative Asset Management System (CAMS). This dynamic new system will help the Department provide better customer service, contain costs, and improve management of the City's infrastructure.

Division of Public Works

The Division of Public Works (DPW) received one of three American Public Works Association (APWA) national awards for the City's innovative snow and ice removal program. The APWA's Excellence in Snow and Ice Control Award was presented at the 2011 APWA North American Snow & Pacific Northwest Snowfighters Conference in April 2011 in Spokane, Washington.

The Snow and Ice Control Award was established by APWA to promote excellence in the management and administration of public works snow and ice operations, and to promote the best practices in snow and ice removal while minimizing environmental impacts.

Farmington Hills pursues innovative ways to keep roads safe at the best economical value to its residents. The City has adopted a proactive anti-icing program in an effort to improve road conditions and reduce salt usage. It also manufactures and applies a blend of salt brine in advance of winter storms to prevent snow and ice from bonding to the road surface, and to provide better tire traction, more efficient plowing, and more economical and environmental salting. As a result of these efforts, in winter 2010-11, the Division of Public Works reduced road salt usage by 33%, resulting in a savings of over \$140,000.



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