

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NOVI  
TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – NOVI CIVIC CENTER – 45175 W. TEN MILE ROAD**

**Mayor Gatt called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Gatt, Mayor Pro Tem Staudt, Council Members Casey, Fischer, Markham, Mutch, Wrobel

**ALSO PRESENT:** Victor Cardenas, Interim City Manager  
Thomas Schultz, City Attorney

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**CM 14-04-069 Moved by Casey, seconded by Wrobel; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:**

**To approve the Agenda as presented.**

**Roll call vote on CM 14-04-069**

**Yeas: Staudt, Casey, Fischer, Markham,  
Mutch, Wrobel, Gatt**

**Nays: None**

**PUBLIC HEARING – None**

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. Proclamation in Recognition of Arbor Day, April 26, 2014 at Lakeshore Park from 9 a.m. to Noon – Jason Mangum, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services

Mayor Gatt presented the proclamation to Wendy DuVall, Recreation Supervisor. She accepted it on behalf of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department. She invited everyone to Lakeshore Park Saturday, April 26, 2014 from 9 a.m. to Noon.

2. Proclamation in Recognition of May as National Bike Month – Loren Konkus, Motor City Mountain Biking Association

Mayor Gatt presented the proclamation to Loren Konkus, Motor City Mountain Biking Association. Mr. Konkus accepted it on behalf of area bicyclists. He explained bicycling is more than a form of transportation for members. Bicycling is the thread that weaves our families and friendships together. They appreciate all the amenities and bike path improvements that the City has done. Stephanie Schuetzler, Communications Coordinator, announced that Community Relations, Community Development and Parks Recreation and Cultural Services are promoting Bike Month by doing a variety of activities and to check the City website for information.

3. Proclamation in recognition of Drinking Water Week, May 4-10, 2014, Rob Hayes, Director of Public Services/City Engineer

Mayor Gatt presented the proclamation to Rob Hayes, Director of Public Services/City Engineer. Mr. Hayes said he will display it prominently at the Public Services facility. He said they deliver 2 billion gallons of high quality water to 15,000 Novi customer accounts each year.

4. Motorcities Roadside Markers Project – Roy Prentice

Julie Farkas, Library Director/Historical Commission Liaison presented the Motorcities Roadside Markers Project initiated by Roy Prentice, former Historical Commission Chairman. Mr. Prentice explained each marker has to have some connection with transportation. The Historical Commission has been working on this project for many years. Novi created eight markers. There are over 200 in different communities of Michigan. Motorcities.org website will have the locations of all the markers in Michigan. Each panel has a lot of interesting facts about each location. The project would not have been possible without the support of the Historical Commission and the City of Novi. He appreciated the support of City Council. Member Wrobel thanked everyone who worked on this project. It is something to let all our residents know the City's history. He noticed the National Park Service logo was on the markers and asked how they are involved in the project. Mr. Prentice said the National Park Service has designated the Motorcities Historical District. The National Park Service provides funding. The Commission and the City had to provide some funding but it was heavily subsidized by Michigan Department of Transportation and the National Park Service. Member Markham asked if it was known where the name of Novi originated. Mr. Prentice said that it was suggested at a very early Novi town meeting in the 1830's. At the time, the Community was named West Farmington but they wanted a name that would distinguish the Community from Farmington.

#### **REPORTS:**

1. MANAGER/STAFF - None
2. ATTORNEY - None

#### **AUDIENCE COMMENT:**

Sherri McIntosh, National Association of Letter Carriers, noted Saturday, May 10, 2014 is food drive day. Every resident in Novi will receive a reminder postcard in the mail. All food collected in Novi, stays in Novi. It is donated to two local food pantries, St. James and Faith Community Church. She thanked Council and residents for donating 18,317 pounds of food last year and hoped this year would be as successful.

Stacy Bering she spoke in support of the Puppy Mill Awareness Group. She purchased a dog from Petland. Her dog is now 9 years old, but the dog had behavioral and

emotional issues. She felt she was misled about the dog and that people go there with expectations. The dogs being sold don't meet the standards, as the dogs are physically and mentally sick. A lot of time and money was spent to bring a sense of normalcy to her dog and that never happened. She supports the group for bringing awareness of the pet stores to educate the public.

Pam Sordyl, Puppy Mill Awareness, provided a report of puppy mill breeders state inspection reports. She said they are also hosting puppy mill awareness day in September. During public education, they've been meeting with people who purchased dogs from Petland. While they have a list of breeders that was shown to prospective purchasers, there was no way to tell the health of the pets. Ms. Sordyl proposed an ordinance change of puppy mill sales through retail stores.

### **CONSENT AGENDA REMOVALS AND APPROVALS (See items A-I)**

**CM 14-04-070      Moved by Casey, seconded by Wrobel; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:**

**To approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**

- A. Approve Minutes of:
  - 1. April 7, 2014 – Regular meeting
- B. Approval to award a unit price contract for Lawn Fertilization and Weed Control services to Country Club Lawn, LLC, the low bidder, for a one-year term with three one-year renewal options and an estimated annual cost of \$20,846.
- C. Approval to award an engineering services agreement to Spalding DeDecker Associates, Inc. (SDA) for engineering services related to the North Hills/Timber Ridge/Westridge Downs/Orchard Ridge Sanitary Manhole Rehabilitation Project in the amount of \$18,500.
- D. Approval of Resolution to close Ten Mile from Karim Boulevard to Taft Road from 9 a.m. to noon for the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 26, 2014.
- E. Approval of a request by Martel Developments, L.L.C. to waive the Maintenance and Guarantee Bond required under Section 26.5-33(1)(d)(12) of the ordinance for water and sewer facilities installed for West Park Place Condominiums (located off of West Park Drive, north of West Road).
- F. Approval to award an amendment to the engineering services agreement with URS Corporation for construction engineering services for the 11 Mile Reconstruction (Town Center to Meadowbrook) project in the amount of \$87,904.

- G. Approval of a Completion Agreement with REDWOOD-ERC NOVI, LLC for SP00-66 (aka JSP-13-0064), and the Fox Run Village project located north of Thirteen Mile Road and west of M-5, in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 26.5.
- H. Approval to award the contract for the development of a Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) to Patriot Services Corporation, for an amount not-to-exceed \$34,900.
- I. Approval of Claims and Accounts – Warrant No. 914

**Roll call vote on CM 14-04-070**

**Yeas: Casey, Fischer, Markham, Mutch,  
Wrobel, Gatt, Staudt**  
**Nays: None**

**MATTERS FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

- 1. Consideration for tentative approval of the request of Edward Rose and Sons for Rose Senior Living at Providence JSP13-81, for a Planned Suburban Low-Rise (PSLR) Overlay Development Agreement Application and Concept Plan. The subject property is 23.61 acres in Section 17 of the City of Novi and located on the north side of Eleven Mile Road and west of Beck Road. The applicant is proposing a 182 unit senior living facility.

Interim City Manager Cardenas said this is a three story multi-service residence and explained the applicant wished to make a presentation.

Richard Abbott, representing St. John/Providence Health System, spoke about the 180 units of housing which is a nice fit within the transitional zoning. It will help make that transition from the single family residential south of 11 Mile to the OSC zoning of the hospital. Paul Mott, Land Acquisition Manager/Landscape Architect with Edward Rose & Sons, said there is a big demand for senior housing in Novi. They are proposing 182 units with 70 units of independent living, 65 assisted living, and 37 units of memory care units. He displayed the subject property. The existing zoning is an R3. He displayed the wetland mitigation areas and the woodland habitat they will create with about 1,200 trees. There will be trails they will create. He showed an overview of the structure showing the integration with the Providence Hospital campus. The interior design revolves around a central corridor with many amenities. A traffic study was done and it was recommended to use trail blazing signage to direct traffic. Dan Neudecker, Pope Architects, spoke about the material for facades and landscaping. The size of the building is necessary. There will be raised garden plots and covered parking.

Member Mutch asked about how density applies to the proposed project. Barb McBeth, Deputy Community Development Director, explained this is the first plan under the Planned Suburban Low Rise Ordinance. It has its own set of standards. The density is not considered for this project and is based on the number of units that would be consistent with the Low Rise Multi-Family Residential. Member Mutch noted that if the

concept is agreed upon, the level of density is agreed upon. They have requested a number of deviations and asked how would they impact the size of the building. Ms. McBeth said they requested 3 stories that may affect the density. Member Mutch asked about the Plan of Natural Features and said the woodland report talked about the potential impact but saw nothing about the quality of the woodlands that are being removed. He asked if it was the nature of what we are asking for at this point and if something more detailed would be provided. Ms. McBeth said the way the ordinance was set up is that the applicant could provide a certain amount of information for this level for approval. Then, if this is approved with the development agreement that would go along with it, then the plan would proceed to preliminary site plan in front of the Planning Commission and then the woodland and wetland permits would be evaluated in more detail. Member Mutch was concerned about approving a concept at this level, that would give the Planning Commission the idea that this is what Council is comfortable with approving. Ms. McBeth said they have worked extensively with this applicant and advised that if they could provide more detail, then it will be expected on a concept plan and it would be appreciated. She said they have done a great deal of work in terms of the woodland and wetland evaluation so far. Member Mutch said that in trying to understand the various pieces of this project, that was the area that seemed lacking to him on the woodland impact. He said it doesn't tell him the quality of the woodlands that is being moved and he is trying to predetermine something that is not within our preview. Council could not expect someone to review this once approved. Member Mutch noted he appreciated the architectural views Mr. Mott provided because he was concerned of the size of the building. He thought they did a very good job. He asked about the overall site with the access road from the Providence Campus and Beck Road that ran along the south side of the property, that it looked like it ends in a cul-de-sac but will actually continue to 11 Mile Road if he knew the intent of it. Mr. Mott said that would be future development. It would be an access point to property to the west that may be developed in the future. Member Mutch said it shows wetland mitigation area south of the cul-de-sac and asked where he would see that development being done. Mr. Mott said the area directly west of the proposed facility. Mr. Abbot explained they would want access to that in the future but there is enough width within the 5 acre parcel that reaches down to 11 Mile to fit a roadway through it. Member Mutch liked the proposed plan, but had a concern with the location of the development. He explained Providence has, at the least 200 acres, but it would be hard pressed to find an area with as many environmental features as this does and once approved it will potentially open up another area for development within woodlands not covered by a conservation easement. He said that in all the years he has been on Council and Planning Commission, he didn't recall a development that would remove a significant amount of woodlands with large trees and jeopardizing woodlands to the west with potential development. He understood there would be a buffer separating the residential to the south. The woodland replacement plan is not really replacing what they are removing. The woodland habitat created would not compare to what will be lost. He would like to see the building shifted to the east and get rid of the access road. He could not support it as currently presented.

Member Markham pointed out the Beck Road access that it talked as if it was a secondary entrance and to discourage people to use it with the expectation people will use the northern entrance. She thinks this would realistically be the main access to the building because it is in front of the building. She would like to make sure it is well-lighted, significant signage, with acceleration and deceleration tapers for those going south on Beck. She asked the location of the signs in the proposed plan. Ms. McBeth said there would be one at the proposed new drive and in the median at the entrance and on the approach to the new building. Member Markham confirmed there would only be a short monument sign on Beck. She asked Ms. McBeth if she thought it was enough. Ms. McBeth said she thought it would be enough to provide notice that the building is there. The building will be tucked in from the road. She thought once people realized they are approaching it they will find the entrance and turn in. She said if they miss it, they could go further north to enter on the Providence ring road. Member Markham had a problem because it is hard to find where you are going in this town. She noted Beck Road is 45 mph that carries a lot of traffic. She didn't like trying to divert traffic north to where the light is. It is unrealistic for anyone coming from the south and the trail blazing signs would add confusion. She would like to consider the entrance as the main entrance and make it good, beautiful, easily accessed entrance so everyone knows where it is. She thinks this is a good development and adds to the Community. She does agree with Member Mutch with the woodland impact but was mainly concerned about the entryway being very well designed with more signage and not less.

Mayor Pro Tem Staudt said he didn't have the Planning Commission experience of the previous speakers but he was a business man and believed it was a good business project for the City of Novi. Some of the woodland issues are something to consider as it is built out, however, this project has been well vetted by staff and Planning Commission.

**CM 14-04-071            Moved by Staudt, seconded by Wrobel; MOTION CARRIED: 6-1**

**Tentative approval of the Planned Suburban Low-Rise (PSLR) Overlay Development Agreement Application and Concept Plan based on the following findings, City Council deviations, and conditions:**

- a. The PSLR Overlay Development Agreement and PSLR Overlay Concept Plan will result in a recognizable and substantial benefit to the ultimate users of the project and to the community as noted in the planning review letter;**
- b. In relation to the underlying zoning or the potential uses contemplated in the City of Novi Master Plan, the proposed type and density of the use will not result in an unreasonable increase in the use of public services, facilities and utilities, and will not place an unreasonable burden upon the subject property, surrounding land, nearby property owners and occupants, or the natural environment as indicated in the**

- applicant's Community Impact Statement and the wetland and woodland review letters;
- c. In relation to the underlying zoning or the potential uses contemplated in the City of Novi Master Plan, the proposed development will not cause a negative impact upon surrounding properties as the proposed building has been substantially buffered by existing and created natural features and should minimally impact the surrounding properties;
  - d. The proposed development will be consistent with the goals and objectives of the City of Novi Master Plan, and will be consistent with the requirements of Article 23B as the proposed development meets the stated intent of the PSLR Overlay District to encourage transitional uses between higher intensity office and retail uses and lower intensity residential uses while maintaining the residential character of the area as outlined in the planning review letter;
  - e. City Council deviations for the following as the Concept Plan provides substitute safeguards for each of the regulations and there are specific, identified features or planning mechanisms deemed beneficial to the City by the City Council which are designed into the project for the purpose of achieving the objectives for the District as stated in the planning review letter:
    - a. City Council deviations to allow front yard parking (southern yard) and a minimum berm height of 2 feet (min. 3 feet required);
    - b. City Council deviation to allow a proposed building length of 467 feet (maximum building length of 360 feet is permitted);
    - c. City Council deviation to allow a maximum bldg. height of 41 feet (maximum height 35 feet is permitted);
    - d. City Council deviation to allow carports in the interior side yard;
    - e. City Council deviation to allow a business sign and entranceway sign;
    - f. City Council deviation to allow an access drive on a section line road;
    - g. City Council deviations to allow a 2 foot tall berm for parking lot screening (3 feet required), to allow a 1.5 foot to 5 foot tall wall in lieu of the required berm and for the lack of a 4 foot wide landscape bed around the entire building foundation; and
    - h. City Council deviations to allow pedestrian entrances more than 60 feet apart and an overage of asphalt shingles;

- f. The applicant revising the plan to relocate the proposed stormwater detention basin so that it does not cover the existing sanitary sewer easement or relocate the sanitary sewer accordingly;**
- g. The findings of compliance with Ordinance standards in the staff and consultant review letters and the conditions and the items listed in those letters being addressed on the Preliminary Site Plan;**
- h. The applicant continuing to integrate sites into the landscaping and design of the entire Providence Campus; and**
- i. The applicant shall follow the recommendations of the City's Traffic Consultant to not impose turn restrictions at the Beck Road Drive, but instead require the use of "trail-blazing" markers to identify the existing Beck Road traffic signal at Providence Park Drive as an alternative for motorists wishing to travel north on Beck Road.**

**The applicant should work with the City Attorney's Office to prepare the required Planned Suburban Low-Rise Overlay Agreement. This motion is made because the plan is otherwise in compliance with Article 23B, Article 24 and Article 25 of the Zoning Ordinance and all other applicable provisions of the Ordinance.**

Member Fischer asked Rod Arroyo, traffic consultant, to give a brief description of what he saw in reviewing the plans. Mr. Arroyo said the plan is under the threshold for a formal impact study because of the number of trips anticipated. After the action of the Planning Commission, the applicant submitted some follow-up traffic information. They were asked to review that information and submitted a supplemental letter. Essentially, they made a recommendation that the access to Beck is going to be full access. It does have a center turn lane where left turns would be addressed there. There will be deceleration and acceleration tapers to provide for turns in and out and boulevard access. From an emergency access standpoint, they like two points of access to a facility like this. Fire station #4 is the closest to service this facility. The direct turn off of Beck is a positive. Most of the challenges will be leaving the facility during peak hours especially going to the expressway. That is why they recommended the trail blazing signs to the ring road access at the signalized access. The left turn will not be difficult during peak hours. Member Fischer asked if the trail blazing signs primarily send traffic to the Beck Road or Grand River access. Mr. Arroyo said there would be a set of signs advising traffic to the signalized approach. It could be expanded beyond those, but that was the primary goal was to move traffic to the signal for outbound left turns. Member Fischer asked what will be the peak times of traffic for the building. Mr. Arroyo said these types of facilities do not have a peak hour that corresponds with the adjacent street peak hours. They don't have the normal rush hour because of meal service with changing of shifts because they are before or after the meal service, but the applicant would be able to give the details about when their shift changes are. Dena Meyer, representative of Ecumen that manages and operates Rose Senior Living,

stated the typical type of resident that will move into this community will be those residents that are independent, needs some assistance, and those that need memory care. Currently, they are going for approval for 69 congregant or independent living units. Generally, those residents will have a car and the rest of the 75 units possibly may have a car or not. The facility provides transportation. The other 38 units will not have cars. The facility has restaurants for the residents to eat within the community. Most residents in the facility usually try to drive during non-peak hours because they are not working. She didn't have any concern with the proposal. It is always a question about this type of community, but there is not much impact at all. Member Fischer asked about the employee population. Ms. Meyer said they have 24 hour on-site staff with 3-4 different shifts during the day. Those shifts are generally 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. and 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. Member Fischer said the peak hours on Beck Road will be 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. or 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. and it sounds like to and from work for this facility. He agreed with the Mayor Pro Tem Staudt and would not have a problem supporting it as it stands. Member Wrobel asked about the distance between the main entrance and the Providence ring road. The only thing he thought was during peak traffic, for those individuals making a left turn into the ring road heading north, if they would interfere with any of the people turning left into the main entrance and whether there is a backup in the morning or afternoon turning into Providence. Mr. Arroyo said they did take a look at that. The signal to the north is 650 feet from the proposed access and the one from 11 mile was over 1200 feet. There is a good separation and should not be any overlapping conflict between the two roads.

**Roll call vote on CM 14-04-071**

**Yeas: Fischer, Markham, Wrobel, Gatt, Staudt, Casey**  
**Nays: Mutch**

2. Approval to award a construction contract for the 11 Mile Road Reconstruction project (Town Center to Meadowbrook) to Pro-Line Asphalt Paving Corp., the low bidder, in the amount of \$825,064, subject to final review and approval of form of agreement by the City Manager's office and City Attorney.

Interim City Manager Cardenas said this project was moved up from fiscal year 2014-2015 to current fiscal year. The bids came in were significantly under budget. The construction will include a geo-grid plastic mesh system that will prolong the road's useful life especially with the heavy equipment traffic.

**CM 14-04-072**

**Moved by Wrobel, seconded by Casey; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:**

**To approve a construction contract for the 11 Mile Road Reconstruction project (Town Center to Meadowbrook) to Pro-Line Asphalt Paving Corp., the low bidder, in the amount of \$825,064, subject to final review and approval of form of agreement by the City Manager's office and City Attorney.**

**Roll call vote on CM 14-04-072**

**Yeas: Markham, Mutch, Wrobel, Gatt, Staudt,  
Casey, Fischer**

**Nays: None**

3. Approval to award an amendment to the engineering services agreement with Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment for construction engineering services for the Metro Connector Pathway project in the amount of f \$126,885.

Interim City Manager Cardenas said this is the Connector that connects I-275 pathway to our trail system heading north across I-96. The engineering services were not a part of the Federal Grant award that the City received and the construction contract will not be coming before Council because it is awarded by MDOT. They are looking to start the project next month.

**CM 14-04-073**

**Moved by Staudt, seconded by Casey; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:**

**To approve an amendment to the engineering services agreement with Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment for construction engineering services for the Metro Connector Pathway project in the amount of f \$126,885.**

**Roll call vote on CM 14-04-073**

**Yeas: Mutch, Wrobel, Gatt, Staudt, Casey,  
Fischer, Markham**

**Nays: None**

4. Consideration to approve "Resolution Authorizing Submission of Charter Amendment Ballot Proposal to Electors," submitting a ballot proposal regarding Mayor and Councilmember compensation to the voters at the August 5, 2014 election, pursuant to recommendation from the *Ad Hoc* Charter Review Committee.

**CM 14-04-074**

**Moved by Fischer, seconded by Gatt; MOTION CARRIED: 6-1**

**To approve "Resolution Authorizing Submission of Charter Amendment Ballot Proposal to Electors," submitting a ballot proposal regarding Mayor and Councilmember compensation to the voters at the August 5, 2014 election, pursuant to recommendation from the *Ad Hoc* Charter Review Committee.**

Mayor Gatt said this Council authorized a Committee to form over a year ago. There were several questions put before voters at the last election in November. Most passed and a couple did not. The Committee resumed deliberations after the first of the year. There were a couple civilian members added to explain to the public what the

amendments were all about. The civilian members are Mr. Fil Superfisky, Mr. Tom Marcus, Ms. Doreen Poupard and former Mayor David Landry.

Mr. Landry gave a history of the adoption of the charter with passage in 1969, reviewed and updated in 1977, and until 2013 it had not been comprehensively reviewed again. In March, 2013 the new Charter Review Committee was established for the review of the City Charter to make it more effective and reflective of the world we live in today. In 2013, the Committee proposed 5 changes to go before the voters with three passing and two did not. In 2014, the Committee reconvened and reconsidered suggested changes of the Charter. Only 1 proposed change should be put before the voters regarding compensation of Mayor and City Council. The current Charter provides that the Mayor receives \$20 a meeting and the City Council receives \$15 per meeting which averages out to around \$800 a year and less for Council Members. The voters will decide whether the Mayor should receive \$6,500 annually and Council \$4,500 annually per member. The City Council will not vote on this issue specifically. The only decision Council will be making is whether voters should be given a chance to weigh in on a change to the Charter. It has been 37 ½ years since there has been a change and the comparable communities' average compensation is \$7,608 for Mayor and \$5,908 for Council.

Doreen Poupard spoke in favor of the resolution before Council as recommended by the Charter Review Committee. When the Charter was adopted in 1969, they didn't envision the Novi of 2014. Cost of living and population has grown over the last 45 years. The duties of Mayor and Council have increased in scope, responsibility, and time commitments. The issues have become more complex. The members have engaged in City related business far beyond by-monthly meetings. A stipend for services is not a salary. The Committee's recommendation represents a major shift in how the elected officials of Novi are compensated with an annual salary that respects the work of Council members in the essential role that they provide in our Community.

Fil Superfisky stated he moved here over 40 years ago and became involved in the community. He spoke of the community being mostly farmland many years ago. He described Council meetings in the 70's. The agenda used to arrive in a manila envelope and materials were very large. The agendas and packet materials are delivered via internet now. He noted there is so much time involved reviewing the agenda packet materials. He feels it is time to ask voters to appropriately compensate Council.

Tom Marcus noted most Council members can't go anywhere without being approached with issues. The town has grown and Council members deserve more compensation.

Mr. Landry appreciated being on the Committee and would like the voters to have a chance to weigh in on the compensation.

Member Fischer appreciated the work of the Committee. He expressed that it is not a vote to increase members pay tonight but it has the potential to impact them. There is

that element to seem self-serving, but respects the data the Committee has provided. The voters should be given a chance. They are residents of the City and have the opportunity to vote themselves. He wasn't thinking just about himself, but the decision they make will outlive all of them. It is about the quality of people they want to continue attract now and into the future.

Member Mutch thanked the Committee members for taking on the difficult questions and the service they do on behalf of the Novi Community. He will not support placing this on the ballot because he felt the proposed amounts were in excess of the amounts he felt were reasonable. To him, the people who serve today and in the future do it because of their love for the Novi Community. He feels it is a privilege to sit on Council to represent Novi residents. He didn't think anyone has decided to run for office and serve the Community based on the compensation. He doubted that would be the case in the future. He felt an increase is warranted but not the proposed amount. People have the perception that elected officials are looking out for themselves. The concern he had was the voters have already turned down Charter amendments and may seem that it is an attempt to increase their pay significantly. It will be the voters' decision and if the voters are comfortable with it, then it would take effect. It is not something voters or Council members have been asking for. He could not support the amount of compensation. He is not comfortable putting it to the voters.

Member Wrobel agreed this is something that should be put before the people to decide.

**Roll call vote on CM 14-04-074**

**Yeas: Wrobel, Gatt, Staudt, Casey, Fischer,  
Markham**

**Nays: Mutch**

**AUDIENCE COMMENT – None**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS – None**

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL ISSUES – None**

**CONSENT AGENDA REMOVALS FOR COUNCIL ACTION – None**

**ADJOURNMENT** – There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 P.M.

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Robert J. Gatt, Mayor

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Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk

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Transcribed by Jane Keller

Date approved: May 12, 2014