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Southfield is on the move with new walking/biking paths, bike share program and public art installation

The City of Southfield continues to make strides towards being a more pedestrian and bike-friendly community with the addition of miles of new walking and biking paths, a convenient new bike share program and an exciting new public art installation that residents can soon enjoy while out getting some fresh air and exercise.

Northwestern Highway Bike Pathway and Greenway

The City and the Southfield City Centre recently held a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the completion of the new Northwestern Highway Bike Pathway and Greenway located along Northwestern Service Drive between Civic Center Drive and Corporate Drive. The pathway includes almost one mile of paved surface area for bikers, walkers and runners as well as extensive landscaping and other amenities. The new path also filled in a key gap in the City's pathway system.

Zagster Bike Sharing Program

The ceremony also included a dedication of the City's new Zagster bike sharing program that provides all Southfield residents and visitors with a convenient, affordable and healthy new way to get around town.

Twenty-one cruiser bikes, plus two accessible bikes, are now available at 7 stations located throughout the city for riders to use for on-demand, local trips. Riders — who must be 18 or older — can join the program by signing up for \$25 annual memberships; student annual memberships are available for \$10. Rides for members are free for the first hour, then \$2 per hour; rides for non-members cost \$2 per hour with a maximum charge of \$20 per day for both members and non-members. There is no additional cost for membership; however, all riders must register at www.zagster.com/southfield to participate. Keep an eye out for special discount promotions throughout the year.

The bike share stations installed throughout the Southfield City Centre, include:

- Lawrence Technological University UTLC, 21000 W.Ten Mile Road;
- Lawrence Technological University's Don Ridler Field House, 21000 W.Ten Mile Road;



- Southfield Municipal Campus South Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen Road;
- Southfield Sports Arena, 26000 Evergreen Road;
- Marriot & Courtyard by Marriot, 27033 Northwestern Highway;
- 3000 Town Center South, 3000 Town Center; and
- City Centre II, 25200 Evergreen Road.

Each station is installed with three to five bikes, as well as empty spaces for bikes to be returned.

"We are thrilled to bring Zagster to the City of Southfield," commented City Planner Terry Croad. "The City Centre bike share program is a wonderful new asset to the Southfield City Centre. The City is working to become more pedestrian and bike-friendly, so this bike share program fits perfectly with our vision, and it nicely complements our newly-completed Northwestern Highway Pathway and Greenway."

The Southfield City Centre Advisory Board is sponsoring a one-year trial period for the bike share program which includes all maintenance and insurance.

Southfield's bike share features the Zagster 8, an award-winning bike known for its practical design, comfortable ride and easy handling. The bike includes a spacious basket that's perfect for carrying groceries, takeout, or personal belongings. And because rider safety is a priority, every bike includes automatic lights, a bell, and full reflectors.

Southfield's bike share promises to ease commutes, but it also unlocks vast recreational opportunities for exercise and fun. Unlike big-city bike shares, in which riders must drop off

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Southfield on the move — *Continued*

bikes at designated stations for every stop, the built-in lock on every Zagster bike gives users the freedom to ride as long as they want, wherever they want. This hybrid model, which blends dockless locking for mid-trip stops with fixed station locations for beginning and ending rides, allows users to plan their trips around their destinations — and not around station locations.

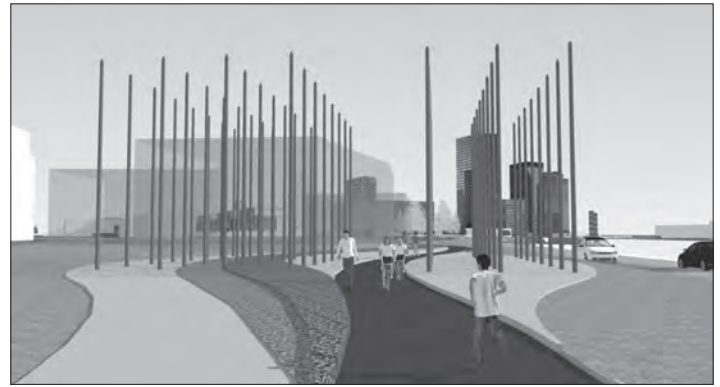
Riding the Southfield bike share is easy. Bikes can be found via the free Zagster Mobile App — available for iPhone and Android — or online at www.zagster.com/southfield. Each bike has a unique number which riders enter into the app to disengage the ring lock and docking cable at the touch of a button. Alternatively, riders can obtain unlock codes via text message to use with an on-bike keypad. A retractable cable mounted to the bike allows the bike to be secured to any fixed object throughout a trip for mid-ride stops. After the rider returns the bike to a designated Zagster bike station, the rental ends and the bike is available for the next person to enjoy.

Founded in 2007 and headquartered in Cambridge, Mass., Zagster is the largest and fastest-growing bike-share provider in the United States — operating more than 160 bike share programs in 35 states across North America.

Red Pole Park Interactive Public Art Installation

The City of Southfield and the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) launched a crowdfunding campaign over the summer through Michigan-based crowdfunding platform Patronicity. The campaign successfully raised over \$55,000 to create an interactive new art installation along the recently completed Northwestern Highway Pathway in Southfield's City Centre.

The campaign surpassed its crowdfunding goal of \$50,000 by August 4 — earning the project a matching grant with funds made possible by MEDC's Public Spaces Community Places program. Funding raised during the campaign will support the creation of Red Pole Park as a destination that will exemplify Southfield's redevelopment as a connected and pedestrian friendly community. The redevelopment began with converting an old goat path into a brand new bike-walk accessible greenway to join a growing network of trails and new sidewalks throughout Southfield. The greenway will include a series of outdoor "rooms" or art installations that residents and visitors will experience when using the path, of



which Red Pole Park will be the first.

"The Northwestern Highway Pathway and Greenway joins Southfield's growing network of trails and new sidewalks throughout the city," added Mayor Kenson Siver. "We're converting a city originally designed around the automobile into a place that is more accessible for pedestrians and bicyclists. Red Pole Park will give Southfield's newest bike/walk trail a true sense of place, and the matching grant will make it possible for us to build a public art installation that is large enough scale to make it visually interesting and appealing."

Public Spaces Community Places is a collaborative effort of the MEDC, MSHDA, the Michigan Municipal League, and Patronicity where local residents can use crowdfunding to be part of the development of strategic projects in their communities and be backed with a matching grant from MEDC.

"Southfield is really on the right path with this project," said Dan Gilmartin, CEO and Executive Director of the Michigan Municipal League. "Creating art-filled places along the city's bike-walk greenway will encourage residents and visitors to get out of their cars and explore the community in a more up close and personal way."

The City expects to complete the project by spring of 2018. Southfield also received a donation of 37 telephone poles from DTE Energy that will be used to form the framework of the Red Pole Park. The path will take users through a natural rain garden, past a group of sculptures, and then in to a surreal forest of red, sculptural "trees" that align the path. Red Pole Park will be not just part of a path, but a destination in and of itself.



Prepare your home for fall and winter

Fall is the time when you want to get your home and yard ready for the winter cold. Follow these easy steps, most of which you can do yourself, to help lower your utility bills and protect your property.

Home Preparation Steps

- Tune-up your furnace for optimal performance. Get your chimney, furnace and heating ducts inspected and winterize the A/C. Also, regularly replace furnace filters and check smoke and carbon monoxide detector batteries.
- Clean out gutters and downspouts, disconnect and drain all outside hoses. If possible, shut off outside water valves.
- Repair roof leaks and prune any tree branches that could become weighted down with ice or snow and fall on your house or your neighbor's house.
- Wrap water pipes in basement or crawl spaces with insulation sleeves to slow heat transfer and consider an insulated blanket for your hot water heater. If you have a fireplace, keep the flue closed when you're not using it.

Yard Preparation Steps

- Aerate your lawn if the soil is compacted or if thatch is a problem. Apply gypsum and fertilizer to improve soil.
- Plant flowering bulbs and dormant, deciduous trees and shrubs while your garden soil is still soft and pliable. Be sure to allow sufficient space to allow for spring growth.
- Cut the grass one more time to 2-3 inches in height, service your lawn mower and store for winter. Continue to rake fallen leaves and collect in approved paper yard waste bags or in a rigid container clearly marked 'Yard Waste.' **Yard waste in plastic bags will not be accepted! Yard waste will be collected on residents' regular garbage collection day through November 25.**

Please note: Yard waste bags will no longer be sold at City Hall or fire stations beginning January 1, 2018.

Don't veer for deer!

Each year, there are nearly 50,000 reported vehicle-deer crashes in Michigan. About 80 percent of these crashes occur on two-lane roads between dawn (5-8 a.m.) and dusk (6-10 p.m.).

Follow these safe driving tips when encountering deer on the road:

- Always wear a seatbelt;
- Be especially alert in areas where roads divide forestland and agricultural fields; and
- Be cautious if you see one deer; there may be others nearby.

If a crash is unavoidable:

- Don't swerve out of your lane. Brake while securely gripping the steering wheel to bring the vehicle to a stop;
- Pull off the road, turn on your emergency flashers; and
- Do not touch the animal. A frightened and wounded deer can cause harm to you and itself.

Southfield Snow Removal

The City of Southfield Streets & Highways Division recognizes that dealing with snow and ice covered roads is an inconvenience we all must face. Our road crews do their best to clear the roads as quickly and safely as possible.

We begin by plowing the major roads first, followed by Priority 2 roads (Collector streets) and potentially hazardous locations. Collector streets and potentially hazardous intersections and hills are plowed or salted as required at all storm depths after city major streets are completed followed by all local roads. We appreciate your patience and cooperation during this process.

DRIVEWAYS & SNOW

Following are some steps that you can take when clearing your driveway to reduce the amount of snow that may get piled as the road is plowed:

- If possible, clean driveways and around mailboxes after we have finished plowing the roads.

If this is not possible ...

- When clearing your driveway, place as much snow as possible in the direction of travel downstream on your side of the road.
- Clear an area upstream from your driveway opening to form a "pocket" for the snow from the road to go into. The result will be that more of the snow from the clearing of the road will go into the open "pocket" area and less will end up in the end of your driveway.

MAILBOX INFORMATION

Snow being discharged from the plow can damage or knock down your mailbox without having any contact from our equipment. It is the City's policy to consider replacing mailboxes only if they are hit by our equipment.

For more information, call Streets & Highway at (248) 796-4860.

Greg Kennedy Community Service Award

The City of Southfield has reintroduced the Greg Kennedy Community Service Award to honor members of the community who exemplify the characteristics of the late Greg Kennedy.

The Award was originally established in 1999 to honor the legacy of community activist Greg Kennedy by encouraging other residents to engage in public service. Greg Kennedy was one of Southfield's first residents and demonstrated his commitment to the

City throughout his entire lifetime. He established the City's first Southfield Homeowners Coalition and annually sent numerous low-income children to attend the Shriner's Circus. He visited senior homes in Southfield every week to help out, entertain and listen. He was an outspoken advocate for seniors and young people alike and was known for standing up for other people's rights. Since its inception, there have been only four recipients of the award, including: Samuel P. Havis in 2000; Jacqueline Nelson in 2001;

Muriel Zweigel in 2003; and Jon Adams in 2016.

For more information, call Community Relations at (248) 796-5130 or visit www.cityofsouthfield.com.

Nominations for the 2017 Greg Kennedy Award are due by September 1. The complete award guidelines and nomination form are available online at www.cityofsouthfield.com or in print at City Hall.

Southfield Michigan Works moves to new shared space with LTU Collaboratory

Southfield Michigan Works relocated to the Lawrence Technological University Enterprise Center in mid-July, making it the first Michigan Works service center to be joined with a local university. The new office is located at 21415 Civic Center Drive, Suite 116.

The Lawrence Technological University Enterprise Center is also home to the LTU Collaboratory, a hands-on resource center that fosters business growth. The Michigan Works office offers workshops for both job seekers and businesses to help the community understand their options beyond traditional employment, creating a one-stop shop for job seekers and entrepreneurs.

"I think it's an exciting opportunity for us to be working with LTU and the

LTU Collaboratory" stated Lisa Straske, Southfield Michigan Works manager. "It will allow us to offer new things to the customers we serve and be better positioned to help job seekers, as the new location will be easily accessible to public transportation."

Southfield Michigan Works recently entered a partnership with Cisco Net Academy to offer free access to self-paced computer courses in a variety of technical areas, including cyber security, IT essentials, mobility, entrepreneurship and more. These training courses allow beginner to intermediate technical users to explore and become more familiar with the world of Information Technology. For more information and to register in person for the Cisco Net Academy, visit Southfield Michigan Works.

Southfield Michigan Works is one of eight locations in Oakland County designed to help both job seekers and businesses. For the job seeker, Southfield Michigan Works provides career management and job search assistance, labor market information, information about upcoming job fairs, as well as workshops to assist job seekers with every aspect of their search. Business services include talent recruitment, labor market information and training support.

Like and follow Southfield Michigan Works on social media for the latest job postings, job fairs and workshop information.

 Southfield Michigan Works

 @SfIdMiWorks

Habitat for Humanity's Rock the Block

The City of Southfield's Neighborhood Services Committee in partnership with Habitat for Humanity of Oakland County will sponsor the Rock the Block program in the Bonnie Acres neighborhood September 9, 11 and 12.

Rock the Block is a new effort

by Habitat for Humanity to help homeowners in specific neighborhoods with minor home repairs, landscaping and more. The Bonnie Acres neighborhood located near 12 Mile and Greenfield has been selected for this program.

Projects will be approved on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested Bonnie Acres residents are encouraged to submit an application before the program is full.

For more information, call (248) 338-1843 or visit www.habitatoakland.org.



International Festival celebrates Southfield's Diversity

Southfield's signature cultural event features food, music, dance and merchandise from around the world

The City of Southfield, in partnership with the International Institute of Metropolitan Detroit, Inc., is proud to present the International Festival Saturday, November 18 – Sunday, November 19 in the Southfield Pavilion.

The International Festival is the ideal event to showcase Southfield's rich cultural heritage. The 2017 International Festival will kick-off on Friday, November 17 at 10 a.m. with a U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services (CIS) swearing-in ceremony of new citizens. The 2017 International Festival will continue Saturday, November 18 from 12-6 p.m. and Sunday, November 19 from 12-6 p.m.

The International Festival will feature a fun, affordable and enriching afternoon for the entire family. The event will offer international music and dance performances throughout the entire weekend; children's hands-on activities; cultural exhibits; and ethnic art and craft demonstrations. Guests will also be able to purchase imported products, handmade crafts, jewelry, fabrics, apparels and other

unique gifts from around the world at the International Bazaar. A variety of international and ethnic food will also be available for purchase. A weekend pass is just \$3 per person or \$5 per family with free parking.

The International Festival is sponsored by the City of Southfield, the International Institute of Metropolitan Detroit, Lawrence Technological University, Southfield Town Center and C&G Newspapers (as of publication).

For more information, call Southfield Community Relations at (248) 796-5130 or visit www.cityofsouthfield.com.

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

Saturday, November 18 12-6 p.m.
Sunday, November 19

Southfield Pavilion • 26000 Evergreen Rd.

- International music and dance performances, International Bazaar, plus international and ethnic food!
- Weekend pass just \$3 per person or \$5 per family with free parking.

The Big Rake

Southfield Mayor Kenson Siver, in partnership with Lowe's Home Improvement of Southfield, will host The Big Rake on November 4, 11, 18 and 25 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Big Rake is an effort to help elderly or disabled Southfield residents with fall lawn maintenance. Volunteers are needed to help rake

leaves. Lowe's Home Improvement donated paper yard bags for use at the event. Other dates and times may be scheduled depending on need.

Interested volunteers can contact the Mayor's office at 248-796-5100 or email ksiver@cityofsouthfield.com or dharmse@cityofsouthfield.com.

Southfield 2017 Calendar national award finalist



Southfield's 2017 Annual Report/Calendar, produced by the Community Relations Department, was selected as a finalist in the 29th annual national Savvy Awards Competition sponsored by the City-County Communications and Marketing Association (3CMA). The City of Southfield's entry was one of more than 700 submitted from municipalities and counties from across the country. This marks the third consecutive year that Southfield's signature marketing tool has been nationally recognized. The Savvy Awards are held annually in cooperation with the National League of Cities to recognize outstanding local government achievements in communications, public sector marketing and citizen-government relationships.

Advertise in the 2018 Southfield Calendar!

The Southfield Annual Report/Calendar includes an advertising insert to provide local businesses the opportunity to reach the community. The advertising insert is an excellent way to reach more than 73,000 Southfield residents and 10,000 businesses for one extraordinarily low price. The return on investment in a calendar ad reaps dividends throughout the entire year — providing lasting visibility for every business.

Reserve your ad today — space is limited! Call Southfield Community Relations at (248) 796-5130 for more information.

CITY CLERK'S NEWS

Nancy L. M. Banks, City Clerk



2017 Election Information

City General Election – November 7, 2017

The polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. on Election Day.

Offices and items to be elected this year are:

- Mayor
- Council (Three Four-Year Terms; One Two-Year Term)
- Clerk
- Treasurer

The last day to register to vote:

October 10 – for the City General Election

Thank You

As you may have heard, I will be retiring at the end of my term this November, 2017. It has been an extreme honor to serve the City of Southfield for 43½ years. At this time I would like to thank all the wonderful people that I have met and worked with over the years that I have been with the City. Southfield is truly a unique and wonderful community that I feel extremely proud and fortunate to be a part of.

Nancy L.M. Banks

Close of Registration

Are you registered to vote? Do you know your voting precinct?

In an effort to provide better service for our residents, and to help cut down the number of phone calls and/or waiting in line on Election Day, you can verify your voter registration information by viewing our website at www.cityofsouthfield.com.

Click on the Government tab, select City Clerk's Office, Election Information. A direct link to the Michigan Voter Information Center can be accessed on the Clerk's home page "Are you registered to vote?" or by using the related link.

Michigan election law states that you must be registered to vote 30 days in advance of an election.

The Close of Registration deadline for the November General Election is October 10, 2017.

If you are not currently registered to vote in Southfield, please visit the City Clerk's Office, or any Secretary of State Branch office, or view the City website at www.cityofsouthfield.com to download a voter registration form. If you are physically unable to appear in person, please call City Clerk Nancy L.M. Banks at (248) 796-5150 to make

arrangements for a member of the City Clerk's Office to register you at home.

New Voting Equipment for November

In January 2017, the Secretary of State's office approved new election equipment for the State of Michigan to replace the present outdated equipment throughout the State. The Oakland County Clerk decided that Hart Inter Civic, based in Austin, Texas, was the best system suited for Oakland County. The Verity Voting system resembles a thick, heavy tablet. The Americans with Disabilities Act compliant tablet offers both the touch-screen option and a controllable tactile device for people to record their responses. This system was purchased through the State of Michigan's Help America Vote Act Funding.

Absent Voter Applications

Michigan law requires that registered voters wishing to receive an absent voter ballot must complete an Absent Voter Application for each election for which an absentee ballot is needed. Voters whose names are on the Permanent Absent Voter List, age 60 years and over, and disabled residents who have requested same, were mailed the Absent Voter Application in July. The Application must be returned to the City Clerk's Office, completed and signed, before an Absent Voter Ballot can be mailed to the voter.

If you did not receive your application or need an Absent Voters Ballot for the 2017 General Election, contact the City Clerk's Office at (248) 796-5150, or visit the City website at www.cityofsouthfield.com to download



a copy of the Application form. (Please be sure to print and sign your full name and address on the Application form).

The City Clerk's Office will be open on Saturday, November 4 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. to accept and process Absent Voter Ballot Applications. The last day to obtain an Absent Voter Ballot for qualified electors is Monday, November 6, by 4 p.m. The ballot must be voted on-site and cannot leave the building.

All Absent Voter Ballots must be returned to the City Clerk's Office by 8 p.m. on Election Night in order to be counted.

Business Licenses

As the winter season approaches, many people contract with companies to have their snow removed from their driveways and sidewalks. Please make

sure before you sign a contract to have your snow removed that you confirm whether the business is licensed to do business in the City of Southfield. If they are not licensed, they can come to the City Clerk's Office to obtain a license.

City Clerk's Office Website

Have you surfed the City Clerk's website lately? The City Clerk's website includes a variety of information regarding the services and resources available in the Clerk's Office. Business Licenses, Freedom of Information Requests, Vital Records, Election Information and forms are available by visiting the City Clerk's Office website.

The newly updated and republished City Charter and Code of Ordinances are available for viewing 24-7. Log-on to www.cityofsouthfield.com, select the

Government tab at the top, City Clerk's Office on the left column, and scroll down the page to Resources.

Council Agendas are posted every Friday afternoon prior to each Council Meeting, complete with the supporting materials for each Agenda. Approved Minutes are also available for viewing.



City of Southfield 2017 Voting Precinct Locations

01	Birney Middle School 27225 Evergreen Road	10	Thompson School 16300 Lincoln Drive	19	New Hope Missionary Baptist Church Hall 23455 W. Nine Mile Road	28	Christian Tabernacle Church 26555 Franklin Road
02	McIntyre School 19600 Saratoga	11	Adler School 19100 Filmore	20	Brace-Lederle School 18575 Nine Mile Road	29	Levey Middle School 25300 Nine Mile Road
03	McIntyre School 19600 Saratoga	12	Adler School 19100 Filmore	21	St. Johns Armenian Church 22001 Northwestern Hwy	30	Hope United Methodist 26275 Northwestern Hwy
04	Vandenberg School 16100 Edwards	13	Schoenhals School 16500 Lincoln Drive	22	St. Johns Armenian Church 22001 Northwestern Hwy	31	Hope United Methodist 26275 Northwestern Hwy
05	Vandenberg School 16100 Edwards	14	Schoenhals School 16500 Lincoln Drive	23	Regency Manor (Palace of Southfield) 25228 Twelve Mile Road	32	Levey Middle School 25300 Nine Mile Road
06	Birney Middle School 27225 Evergreen Road	15	Oakland Church of Christ 23333 Ten Mile Road	24	Regency Manor (Palace of Southfield) 25228 Twelve Mile Road	33	Oakland Church of Christ 23333 Ten Mile Road
07	City Hall 26000 Evergreen Road	16	Brace-Lederle School 18575 Nine Mile Road	25	Stevenson School 27777 Lahser Road	34	Beech Woods Recreation Center 22200 Beech Road
08	City Hall 26000 Evergreen Road	17	Southfield Education Center (SEC) (Kennedy School) 16299 Mt. Vernon	26	Stevenson School 27777 Lahser Road	35	Beech Woods Recreation Center 22200 Beech Road
09	Thompson School 16300 Lincoln Drive	18	Southfield Education Center (SEC) (Kennedy School) 16299 Mt. Vernon	27	Christian Tabernacle Church 26555 Franklin Road	36	New Hope Missionary Baptist Church Hall 23455 W. Nine Mile Road

Northland Center redevelopment continues to progress

Work continues to progress on the redevelopment of the former Northland Center property as Southfield paves the way for the future of this important project. The environmental assessment of the former Firestone and Target buildings has been successfully completed with demolition slated to take place this fall. As the environmental assessment of the remainder of the mall and other buildings continue, further demolition is expected to begin taking place in the spring of 2018.

Friedman Integrated Real Estate Solutions, one of the nation's leading providers of commercial real estate services, was recently retained as exclusive listing agent for Southfield's 125-acre Northland Redevelopment Site. As one of the largest full-service commercial real estate organizations in the nation, Friedman provides a full range of advisory, property management, and brokerage services. As owners and managers of commercial property for 30 years, Friedman understands what it takes to achieve results that maximize their clients' objectives.

"The Northland site is an iconic location that is familiar to many metro-Detroit area and Michigan residents. We are delighted to be a part of a project that will help revitalize the area," said Andrew Ledger, Managing Director, Business Development. "Northland is a unique opportunity as it represents one of the largest infill development sites in Southeastern Michigan."

The Southfield City Council approved new master plan is a conceptual, market driven blueprint that outlines the standards and vision for developers of the former mall property. Planning consultants OHM Advisors conducted a thorough technical analysis of the site, examination of the existing buildings/structures, an assessment of environmental factors, and a market analysis to determine the best possible development potential for the former mall. The resulting plan

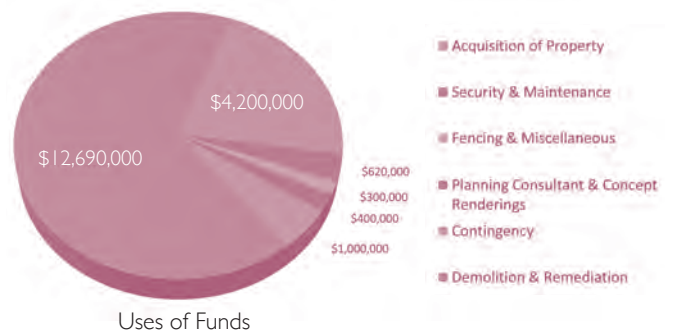
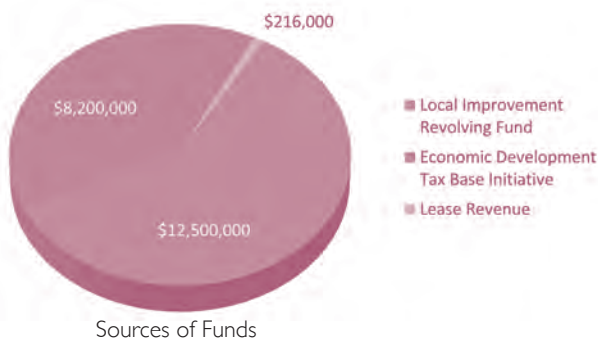
offers a dynamic mix of housing options, R&D, medical office, retail, entertainment and dining. The new plan also reviewed which buildings, if any, could be reused. The review indicated the former Macy's building had great potential for adaptive reuse and as such has already generated a great deal of interest from local and national developers.

"The former Northland Center represents an outstanding opportunity for a vibrant new mixed-use development of residential, retail, office and green space," commented Southfield Mayor Kenson Siver. "The Northland name is synonymous with Southfield and it's imperative that we find the finest development possible for this very prominent and centrally-located site. We are very excited about this project and confident that it will be a great success."

The proposed Master Plan is based on a series of development blocks/districts that collectively create a safe and vibrant mixed-use destination for southeast Michigan residents, business, and visitors. The Plan is intended to be highly flexible to adapt to market conditions. While adaptable, the development of the area will stay true to the vision of vibrancy, safety, inclusion, innovation, health and wellness, sustainability, and community. High quality architecture and public spaces are essentials to the long-term success of the project. Attention to detail and brand elements will continue to be a key focus of the redevelopment of the area with the goal of creating more than just another new development – Northland will be a place to call home.

When Northland Center opened in March 1954, it was the largest shopping mall in the world. Northland led the way for Southfield to become a major commercial, business and residential center in metropolitan Detroit. Alongside the contribution to population growth, the Center helped foster enormous office expansion throughout the city.

..... The following pie charts outline the financial breakdown for the Northland project. For more detailed information, please visit imaginenorthland.com or call the DDA at (248) 796-5190.



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What's Happening in Southfield?

- September 4 - Labor Day, City Offices & Library Closed (*Rubbish collection delayed one day all week*)
- September 14 - Eat to the Beat Concert, 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m., City Centre Plaza
- October 9 - Columbus Day, City Offices & Library closed
- October 21 - Boo Bash, 2-4:30 p.m., Southfield Pavilion
Household Hazardous Waste Day, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., RRRASOC
- October 31 - Halloween Candy Screening, 6-9 p.m., Southfield Sports Arena
- November 1 - Ride with Santa contest begins, P&R Building
- November 7 - General Election, polls open 7 a.m. - 8 p.m., various sites
- November 9 - Veterans' Day Ceremony, 11 a.m., City Hall
- November 10 - Veterans' Day (observed), City Offices & Library closed
- November 15 - Ride with Santa Contest winner announced, 12 p.m., P&R Building
- November 18 - International Festival, 12-6 p.m., Southfield Pavilion
- November 19 - International Festival, 12-6 p.m., Southfield Pavilion
- November 23 - Thanksgiving, City Offices & Library closed (*No rubbish collection*)
- November 24 - City Offices & Library Closed, (*Rubbish collection delayed one day*)
- November 25 - Yard waste collection ends, (*on your regular trash collection day*)
- November 27 - Southfield Goodfellows Newspaper Sale, visit www.southfieldgoodfellows.org
- November 28 - Burgh Tree Lighting & Visits with Santa, 6:30 p.m., Burgh Historical Park
- December 24 - Christmas Eve, Library Closed
- December 25 - Christmas Day, City Offices & Library closed (*No rubbish collection*)
- December 26 - City Offices & Library Closed, (*Rubbish collection delayed one day all week*)
- December 27 - Skate for a Cause, 2-4 p.m., Southfield Sports Arena
- December 31 - New Year's Eve, Library Closed
- January 1 - New Year's Day, City Offices & Library closed (*No rubbish collection*)
- January 2 - City Offices & Library Closed, (*Rubbish collection delayed one day all week*)
- January 15 - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, City Offices & Library closed
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Peace Walk Celebration, 9:30 a.m., Hope United Methodist Church
MLK Peace Walk Program, 11 a.m., Southfield Pavilion
- January 27 - Daddy-Daughter Dance, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Southfield Pavilion
- February 18 - WinterFest, 2-4:30 p.m., Southfield Pavilion
- February 19 - Presidents' Day, City Offices & Library closed

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