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Coming soon

Tenants in the buildings along Telegraph Rd will finally get their wish. Three new restaurants will soon be part of the landscape along the main corridor.

Specifically, construction for the shell of an outlot building will begin at Bingham Office Center in the next few weeks. Soon afterwards, several restaurant tenants will begin to build out the interiors.

Steve Robinson of Versa Development has announced that two restaurant leases have been signed: welcome Qdoba and DiBella's. So that's Mexican cuisine and Italian subs. Not sure yet what the other restaurant(s) will be. There could be up to two more restaurants in this outlot building.

The outlot building will be located directly in the front parking lot of the Bingham Office Center (30700) close to Telegraph. Restaurant parking will be sectioned off and diners will be able to enjoy outside seating. Take your choice of eat-in or take-out but **no** drive-thru service.

The Village worked with Versa Development and the Farbman Group (Bingham Office Center) to allow the outlot buildings. Most of the paperwork has been completed.

Also, the Village is working with the Burton-Share Management Company (30100 Telegraph) on plans to add an outlot building to the Bingham Office Complex which would hold two restaurants. Stay tuned for developments on this potential project.

The Special Land Use, under which these projects are allowed, prohibits any fast-food type restaurants.

There's a new top cop

Daniel Roberts has been named the new Franklin-Bingham Police Chief, following the retirement of Chief Pat Browne, who relinquished the reins on June 30, 2012.



Roberts brings a wealth of experience to the position through his service of over twenty years at the FBI in high profile positions. Most recently, Roberts was the Principal and Director of Governmental Investigations and Compliance with Rehmann's Corporate Investigative Services Team in Troy. Roberts also served with the Franklin and Oak Park Police Departments prior to his FBI service.

Daniel Roberts will begin his position as the Franklin-Bingham Police Chief on August 6, 2012.

Road closure alert

Employees who work in the 13 Mile and Telegraph area may experience some frustration in their daily commutes due to the closure of 13 Mile for a construction project. Thirteen Mile Road will be closed at the 13 Mile Bridge in both directions from July 26-August 29 so that Consumers Energy can relocate a natural gas pipeline. During the closure, commuters will be routed to Lahser Road to 14 Mile Road in order to access 13 Mile and Telegraph and vice versa.

For more information about this project, please call the Road Commission of Oakland County at 877-858-4804.

A loss for the Village



The Village of Bingham Farms lost a strong leader with the passing of Village Council President David Leckie on June 23, 2012 from A.L.S. at the age of 63. Leckie served on Council since 1995 and had been the Village President since 2009. His lasting contributions to the Village have ensured that the Village remained financially fit, despite the economic downturn, while still maintaining a high level of services to

the residents.

Former Council President Pro-Tem Delores Tripp has accepted the position of Council President.

Signage update

The Bingham Farms Planning Commission is in the process of amending the sign ordinance for the commercial district and is interested in obtaining ideas from business owners on the topic. Anyone who would like to provide input is encouraged to attend the next discussion on the signage ordinance, which is tentatively scheduled for Monday, September 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Bingham Farms Council Chambers.

New tenant spotlight

The Village of Bingham Farms is pleased to welcome, Just Energy, a Canadian natural gas and electricity retailer, to the business community.

Just Energy has created quite a buzz in the Metro Detroit area for its plan to create a total of 130 new jobs for its call center in Bingham Farms, located at 30300 Telegraph Road. The call center will handle natural gas related service calls for the region of Michigan, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio.

Just Energy has more than 1.8 million electricity and natural gas customer accounts throughout North America.

After researching locations for the Just Energy call center, the company settled on Bingham Farms because of the business assistance that the Village provided.