



City Council Meeting  
6:00 p.m., Monday, November 14, 2019  
Conference Room  
23600 Liberty Street  
Farmington, MI 48335

**FINAL**

**ORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES**

An organization meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on November 14, 2019, at 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, MI. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM by City Manager Murphy.

**1. OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED BY MARY J. MULLISON, CLERK**

Oath of Office: Joe LaRussa, Sara Bowman, Steven Schneemann

**2. ROLL CALL**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Sara Bowman	Councilmember	Present	
William Galvin	Councilmember	Present	
Joe LaRussa	Councilmember	Present	
Steve Schneemann	Councilmember	Present	
Maria Taylor	Councilmember	Present	

**City Administration Present**

City Clerk Mullison  
City Manager Murphy  
Attorney Schultz

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember LaRussa led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Move to approve the agenda as presented.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Bowman, Councilmember
<b>SECONDER:</b>	LaRussa, Councilmember

**5. ELECTION OF MAYOR – DAVID MURPHY, CITY MANAGER, WILL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

**Schneemann moved to nominate Sara Bowman as Mayor.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Schneemann, Councilmember
<b>SECONDER:</b>	None
<b>AYES:</b>	Bowman, Galvin, LaRussa, Schneemann, Taylor

Mayor Bowman conducted the remainder of the meeting.

**6. ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM**

**Schneemann moved to nominate Joe LaRussa as Mayor Pro Tem.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Schneemann, Councilmember
<b>SECONDER:</b>	None
<b>AYES:</b>	Galvin, LaRussa, Schneemann, Taylor, Bowman

**7. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION TO APPOINT COUNCIL MEMBERS TO SERVE ON BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

- A. Farmington Retiree Health Care Board of Trustees – Bowman
- B. Downtown Development Authority Board of Directors (DDA) – Bowman
- C. Brownfield Redevelopment Authority – LaRussa
- D. Farmington Election Commission – Bowman
- E. Multicultural/Multiracial Community Council (MCMR) – Galvin
- F. 8 Mile Boulevard Association (8MBA) – Galvin, Alternate – LaRussa
- G. S.E.M.C.O.G. – LaRussa, Alternate – Galvin
- H. Grand River Corridor Improvement Authority – Bowman
- I. Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce – Bowman
- J. Charter Review Committee – Taylor
- K. Downtown Farmington Public Parking Committee – Galvin

**Move to adopt a resolution appointing Councilmembers to serve on Boards and Commissions.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	LaRussa, Mayor Pro Tem
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Galvin, Councilmember

## 8. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Move to adopt a resolution of the Farmington City Council establishing 2020 City Council meeting dates.\*\*

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Schneemann, Councilmember
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Taylor, Councilmember

## 9. DISCUSSION – 2020 GOAL SETTING MEETING: SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

Move to schedule 2020 goal setting meeting for Saturday, January 11, 2020.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Galvin, Councilmember
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Taylor, Councilmember

## 10. PUBLIC COMMENT

Geof Perrot, 22661 Brookdale, congratulated newly-elected councilmembers, thanked residents for his campaign, and encouraged Council to continue making things happen.

Suzanne Paul, 23063 Farmington Rd., spoke of the values of public service and how proud Sara Bowman's grandparents would be that their granddaughter was elected mayor of the city they claimed as their own.

## 11. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Galvin congratulated Bowman, Schneemann and LaRussa on their re-election to Council and also congratulated the citizens who were active and participated in election. He offered to dialog with both new mayor Bowman and ex-mayor Schneemann about their new roles.

LaRussa verified a date on the previously approved 2020 meeting dates.

Schneemann congratulated new Mayor Bowman, stating that he had the utmost confidence in her abilities. He has watched her display wonderful poise and feels very confident that things are going to be done very well in the city. He also said that Joe LaRussa has set a new bar for hard work as he campaigned, and has a passion for the city and public service.

Taylor also offered congratulations to the new mayor and mayor pro tem. She requested that Council be given a copy of the current goals sheet with an update report to be used at the approved January goal setting meeting.

Bowman expressed gratitude to her family, the citizens of Farmington, and Council. She stated that she was honored to be serving with two former mayors and would be calling on their expertise as she settles in to her new role. She plans on engaging citizens and this council, and is humbled by their confidence in her. She guarantees her best effort and plans to be accessible to all.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

**Move to adjourn the meeting.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Taylor, Councilmember
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Schneemann, Councilmember

The meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

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Sara Bowman, Mayor

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Mary J. Mullison, City Clerk

Approval Date: November 18, 2019

**\*\***To view approved documents, please see the Agenda Packet link that is relevant to this meeting at <http://farmgov.com/City-Services/Government/Agendas-and-Minutes/City-Council.aspx> or contact the City Clerk.