



Regular City Council Meeting  
 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 3, 2019  
 City Council Chambers  
 23600 Liberty Street  
 Farmington, MI 48335

**FINAL**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on September 3, 2019, in Farmington City Hall, 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 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Schneemann.

**1. ROLL CALL**

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

**City Administration Present**

City Clerk Mullison  
 City Manager Murphy  
 City Attorney Schultz (arrived 7:25 pm)

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Move to approve the regular meeting agenda as presented.\*\***

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

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dan Dellar, 5634 N. Meyers Road, Ludington. A former Commander in Farmington Public Safety, Dellar spoke to Council about the possibility of enacting Public Act 88 of 1961 so that employees can combine retirements from different municipalities into one benefit.

**4. BOARD AND COMMISSION INTERVIEWS/APPOINTMENTS**

**A. Historical Commission – Caitlin Pelley**

Ms. Pelley was interviewed to become a member of the Farmington Historical Commission. She was asked about her interest and focus in history. Pelley commented on promoting continued growth yet keeping historical preservation a priority.

**B. Emergency Preparedness Commission – Ann Echols**

Council interviewed Ms. Echols, who is presently working on a Master’s Degree in Emergency Management and is employed as a firefighter/paramedic by the City of Rochester. Echols is interested in assessing the human side of emergency management and resiliency, and would like to be more involved with a local emergency preparedness commission and do more to lessen the impact of a local disaster on our community.

Council discussed recent turnover in the Historical Commission and considered inviting Laura Myers, Historical Commission Chair, to a Council meeting to report on progress.

**Move to appoint Caitlin Pelley to the Farmington Historical Commission for a term ending March 31, 2020.\*\***

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS PRESENTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Bowman, Mayor Pro Tem
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Taylor, Councilmember

**Move to appoint Ann Echols to the Farmington/Farmington Hills Emergency Preparedness Committee for a term ending February 1, 2020.\*\***

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS PRESENTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Bowman, Mayor Pro Tem
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Taylor, Councilmember

**5. SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATIONS**

**A. Tag Days -**

**Move to approve the annual request for “Tag Days” Fundraising Event scheduled for October 4 from 4-9 p.m. and October 5 from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. for the Farmington High Schools’ Band and Orchestra Boosters.\*\***

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS PRESENTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	LaRussa, Councilmember
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Taylor, Councilmember

### B. Cypress Yoga for the Community

Move to approve the Special Event Request for Cypress Counseling Center to present Yoga for the Community in Riley Park on Sunday, Sept. 22 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m.\*\*

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS PRESENTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Taylor, Councilmember
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Bowman, Mayor Pro Tem

### 6. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE ROAD COMMISSION OAKLAND COUNTY 2019-20 ROAD MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

City Manager Murphy summarized the current agreement and suggested approval for continuing the agreement.

Move to renew Farmington Road Maintenance Agreement with the Road Commission for Oakland County\*\*

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS PRESENTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Taylor, Councilmember
<b>SECONDER:</b>	LaRussa, Councilmember

### 7. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE INSTALLATION OF MURAL ON FARMINGTON CIVIC THEATER BUILDING

DDA Director Kate Knight explained the current status of an art project planned for the east side of the Farmington Civic Theater and requested approval for installation of a mural. Knight also said a community event in collaboration with downtown businesses and a time-lapse video are being planned as events to highlight the project.

Bowman thanked Knight for the effort made in soliciting 12 muralists for the project. LaRussa asked about committee plans for the movie mural to be changed. Knight replied that the committee considered a secondary plan from the artist, but chose the original submission. He also asked about plans to protect the mural from weather and vandals, and whether stewardship and maintenance will be covered by the DDA. Knight pointed out that there is a camera in that lot and the wall of the Civic would be a very safe location. FCT Manager Scott Freeman approved the project and said he was happy with what the committee chose. Schneemann asked questions about paint quality and asked what it does to the brick, also inquiring about signs that are presently on the wall.

Discussion ensued about process and quality control issues to ensure that the proposed image turns into a quality mural.

Move to approve installation of a mural recommended by DDA Public Art Committee, pending DDA Board approval, on the west elevation of the city-owned Farmington Civic Theater.\*\*

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS PRESENTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Taylor, Councilmember
<b>SECONDER:</b>	LaRussa, Councilmember

#### 8. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE TELEVISIONING SANITARY SEWER IN BEL-AIRE SUBDIVISION

Murphy summarized the need for televising the sanitary sewer in Bel-Aire subdivision.

Move to approve the City Engineer, OHM, to subcontract with Pipeline Management to televise the sanitary sewer pipe in Bel-Aire subdivision in order to design the repair work that needs to be done.

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

#### 9. OTHER BUSINESS

LaRussa asked to have a dual-water meter ordinance brought to Council soon and asked about the progress of setting up a search for a permanent Mansion director.

Murphy notified Council about the upcoming US Drain rehabilitation on Shiawasse Road, announcing a temporary closure of eastbound Shiawasse Street at Warner on Thursday September 5. Schneemann expressed concern about the sharp corner at the turn and possible damage to City curbs and signs.

#### 10. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

No comment was heard.

#### 11. ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the meeting.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED AS PRESENTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Bowman, Mayor Pro Tem
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Taylor, Councilmember

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

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Steven Schneemann, Mayor

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Mary J. Mullison, City Clerk

Approval Date: September 16, 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.