



City Council Meeting
6:00 p.m., Monday, November 8, 2021
Conference Room
23600 Liberty Street
Farmington, MI 48335

FINAL

ORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES

An organization meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on November 8, 2021, 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 6:00 PM by City Manager Murphy.

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

Oath of Office: Johnna Balk, Steve Schneemann, Maria Taylor

2. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Johnna Balk	Councilmember	Present	
Sara Bowman	Councilmember	Present	
Joe LaRussa	Councilmember	Present	
Steve Schneemann	Councilmember	Present	
Maria Taylor	Councilmember	Present	

City Administration Present

City Clerk Mullison
City Manager Murphy
City Attorney Saarela

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Move to approve the agenda as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	LaRussa, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

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

Taylor moved to nominate Joe LaRussa as Mayor.

RESULT:	LOST [2-3]
MOVER:	Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER:	None
AYES:	Balk, Taylor
NAYS:	Bowman, LaRussa, Schneemann

Schneemann moved to nominate Sara Bowman as Mayor.

RESULT:	APPROVED [3-2]
MOVER:	Schneemann, Councilmember
SECONDER:	None
AYES:	Bowman, LaRussa, Schneemann
NAYS:	Taylor, Balk

Mayor Bowman conducted the remainder of the meeting.

6. ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

Taylor moved to nominate Joe LaRussa as Mayor Pro Tem.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER:	None
AYES:	LaRussa, Schneemann, Taylor, Balk, 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 – Taylor
- E. Multicultural/Multiracial Community Council (MCMR) – Balk
- F. S.E.M.C.O.G. – LaRussa, Alternate – Schneemann
- G. Grand River Corridor Improvement Authority – Bowman
- H. Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce – LaRussa

- I. Charter Review Committee – Taylor
- J. Downtown Farmington Public Parking Committee – Taylor
- K. Commission for Children, Youth and Families – Schneemann
- L. Pathways Committee – Taylor
- M. Beaumont Community Advisory Board – Balk
- N. Founders Festival Committee – Bowman
- O. Farmington Area Arts Commission - Balk

Move to adopt the resolution reassigning Council Members to serve on various boards and commissions. **

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Schneemann, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

8. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING 2022 CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Move to adopt resolution to establish 2022 City Council meeting dates. **

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Schneemann, Councilmember
SECONDER:	LaRussa, Mayor Pro Tem

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was heard.

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Schneemann welcomed the newest member of City Council, Johnna Balk. He said that he looked forward to working with her and hoped that she would do great things for the residents and businesses in Farmington.

LaRussa congratulated Councilmembers Balk, Taylor and Schneemann. He noted that campaigns are just campaigns and now the real work begins. He thanked Council for opportunity to serve with all of them.

Bowman also welcomed Balk and offered her the expertise of the established members of Council to call upon for her entry into the public spotlight. She thanked Council for her reappointment to the position of Mayor, as she was by no means finished with all of the things that Council has started together and hopefully will continue together. She was very happy for the voter turnout at the recent election and noted that it speaks volumes about Farmington as a passionate city.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Schneemann, Councilmember

The meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Sara Bowman, Mayor

Mary J. Mullison, City Clerk

Approval Date: November 15, 2021

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