

# City of Ann Arbor

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## Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 3, 2019

4:30 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second floor, City Council Chambers

### Greenbelt Advisory Commission (GAC)

### CALL TO ORDER

*Chair Fike called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Guy C. Larcom, Jr. Building, 2nd Floor Council Chambers, 301 E. Huron Street.*

### ROLL CALL

**Present:** 6 - Jennifer Fike, John Ramsburgh, Robert Gordon, Julie Grand, Stefanie Stauffer, and Rosanne Bloomer

**Absent:** 2 - Stephanie Buttrey, and Sheila Schueller

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gordon, seconded by Commissioner Stauffer, that the Agenda be approved with the following changes:**

**Move:** C-1 FY21 Policy Agenda (Postponed to the next meeting.)

**Add:** Presentation from Remy Long

**On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.**

### A APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**A-1 19-1882** Greenbelt Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of September 5, 2019

**A motion was made by Commissioner Ramsburgh, seconded by Commissioner Gordon, that the Minutes of September 5, 2019 be approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.**

### PUBLIC COMMENTARY

**4 SPEAKERS MAXIMUM - 5 MINUTES SPEAKING TIME. Sign up must take place prior to the meeting by notifying the chair or city staff. This section of public commentary is limited to items related to the agenda.**

*James D'Amour spoke in support of the greenbelt program.*

*Jay Gerhart with Michigan State University Extension in Washtenaw County, delivered comments on behalf of the Washtenaw County Food Policy Council. A copy of the comments can be found on their website at*

<https://washtenawfoodpolicycouncil.wordpress.com/> .

*(Commissioner Schuler arrived at 4:40 p.m.)*

**Present:** 7 - Jennifer Fike, John Ramsburgh, Robert Gordon, Julie Grand, Stefanie Stauffer, Sheila Schueller, and Rosanne Bloomer

**Absent:** 1 - Stephanie Buttrey

**B OLD BUSINESS**

*None.*

**C NEW BUSINESS**

**Presentation from Remy Long**

*Remy Long of the Conservation Fund talked about the Greenbelt District. The Open Space and Parkland Millage was passed back in 2003. One third of the millage funds was dedicated towards parkland acquisitions within the city limits and two thirds was dedicated to regional land preservation outside the city limits but within the Greenbelt District. Five thousand seven hundred and sixteen (5760) acres of land has been preserved to date. Please refer to the October 3, 2019 recording for additional discussion on what else the millage has done and preserved in the Ann Arbor area.*

**C-1 19-1883** FY21 Policy Agenda

**Postponed until 11/7/19.**

**C-2 19-1901** GAC Strategic Planning Session #3 (See supplemental agenda from Bridgeport Consulting)

*Anika Madeo, of Bridgeport Consulting started Session 3 of the GAC Strategic Planning Session. A copy of the agenda and the Strategic Plan Framework are on file in the City Clerk's Office.*

**Received and Filed**

*(Commissioner Gordon left at 5:44 p.m.)*

**Present:** 6 - Jennifer Fike, John Ramsburgh, Julie Grand, Stefanie Stauffer, Sheila Schueller, and Rosanne Bloomer

**Absent:** 2 - Stephanie Buttrey, and Robert Gordon

**D NEXT AGENDA ITEMS**

*GAC Parcel Prioritization Recommendations*

**CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS LAND ACQUISITION**

*None.*

**PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

**5 MINUTES MAXIMUM SPEAKING TIME - NO LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE SPEAKING IN THIS SECTION.**

*None.*

**E REPORT FROM COMMISSION COMMITTEES**

*The chair announced that there are two vacant positions on the Commission.*

**E-1 Executive Committee Report**

*Nothing to report.*

**E-2 Communications Committee**

*Nothing to report.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Stauffer, seconded by Farmer Rep. Bloomer, that the meeting be adjourned. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.**

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Jennifer Fike  
Chairperson

Anissa R. Bowden  
Recording Secretary