

## Farmington Hills City Council Election

Tuesday, Nov. 7, 1989 — local precinct breakdown for 1 special term

precinct	Bates	Liner	Soworby
1. Power	446	43	190
2. Wheeler	255	35	138
3. Woodcreek	268	16	151
4. Power	153	18	65
5. Grace	279	34	256
6. Larkshire	126	12	123
7. Dunckel	573	35	113
8. East	431	49	226
9. East	201	19	91
10. Dunckel	382	42	215
11. North Farmington	584	51	268
12. East	418	41	238
13. Grace	143	15	136
14. Alameda	213	27	119
15. Gill	275	13	124
16. Fairview	252	45	89
17. Alameda	257	64	202
18. Highmeadow	358	39	144
19. Forest	339	65	241
20. Fire Headquarters	473	86	270
21. Dunckel	248	17	117
22. North Farmington	417	86	204
23. Kenbrook	320	41	158
24. San Marino	111	13	41
25. Gill	491	35	147
26. Hope	318	30	129
27. San Marino	139	14	62
Absentee votes are included in precinct totals			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8,470</b>	<b>985</b>	<b>4,257</b>

Registered voters, 42,814; ballots cast, 16,968; turnout percentage, 39.63; absentee ballots, 5,283. Vote counts are unofficial.

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Tuesday, Nov. 7, 1989 — local precinct breakdown for 4 regular terms

precinct	Arnold	Grant	Klempinski	Lichtman	Marks	Oliverio	Rosen	Sarkisian	Stines	Vagnozzi
1. Power	310	409	127	272	318	151	90	187	236	434
2. Wheeler	164	231	88	165	197	93	63	95	165	269
3. Woodcreek	205	235	45	169	268	72	65	134	67	330
4. Power	83	140	61	95	124	48	49	57	84	125
5. Grace	191	276	123	280	269	117	105	143	176	368
6. Larkshire	73	150	60	108	126	45	46	69	86	156
7. Dunckel	168	539	81	205	167	380	59	396	126	575
8. East	259	420	129	304	406	150	125	226	180	458
9. East	131	186	63	118	127	75	45	111	108	232
10. Dunckel	252	375	74	328	305	118	112	178	234	420
11. N Farmington	477	598	134	456	366	192	91	243	174	632
12. East	281	466	138	326	289	140	80	186	161	591
13. Grace	135	168	69	118	117	59	40	80	101	185
14. Alameda	131	212	87	178	173	97	49	96	101	218
15. Gill	132	281	67	149	219	97	40	146	102	235
16. Fairview	111	168	24	283	323	73	219	84	89	227
17. Alameda	241	300	60	259	304	91	150	120	125	337
18. Highmeadow	224	302	85	262	300	101	122	218	190	356
19. Forest	277	371	62	368	393	121	216	175	161	387
20. Fire HQ	428	423	96	473	413	169	268	209	292	477
21. Dunckel	180	251	43	157	133	95	39	119	79	270
22. N Farmington	297	397	81	426	452	100	252	194	197	429
23. Kenbrook	222	312	61	300	270	78	120	94	120	307
24. San Marino	71	87	32	81	71	27	28	43	59	96
25. Gill	240	442	112	287	344	139	80	188	203	402
26. Hope	182	287	50	244	219	122	104	139	107	237
27. San Marino	77	125	28	90	137	56	42	55	81	106
Absentee votes are included in precinct totals										
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5,542</b>	<b>8,151</b>	<b>2,080</b>	<b>6,501</b>	<b>6,830</b>	<b>3,006</b>	<b>2,699</b>	<b>3,985</b>	<b>3,804</b>	<b>8,859</b>

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# Hills council winners take office Monday

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City elections have never seen such a high turnout. Most turnouts hover between 6-7 percent with the highest at 14 percent in 1986. The city's 42,814 registered voters cast a total 16,968 ballots, including 5,283 absentee ballots, according to unofficial vote tallies.

Expectations that Vagnozzi, a former council member elected in 1987, would dance through the polls and capture first-place became more than rumors early Tuesday evening. He attributes his success to reaching more than 3,500 households on foot since May.

"I had a good feeling from my walks. I was getting a good response," Vagnozzi said.

Even though he had heard the rumors of his expected overwhelming success, Vagnozzi said he was just

*'I am humble. I am delighted. I'm grateful to the people.'*

— Councilman Ben Marks

shooting for a four-year term. "Anything else was gravy."

Vagnozzi was joined among those who were certain of their success by newcomer Bates, who will complete the remaining two years of former councilman Joe Alkateeb's four-year term. Her opponent, Soworby, was appointed last March to fill the seat until the November election.

"I thought I would win. I had a lot of people working very hard. We put one tough campaign together," said Bates, aide to state Rep. Jan Dolan, R-Farmington Hills.

BATES SAID she believes her success came as a result of listening to the public, particularly at special citizen meetings that she held. "I think we had the ear of the people. I didn't answer questions. I asked them."

A disappointed Soworby was surprised by the election results. "I thought the Farmington Hills voters were more discerning than that. They have given their city away," he said.

Analyzing the results, Soworby, former zoning board of appeals chairman, said, "It wasn't a vote for Nancy. It was a vote against me." His disappointment, Soworby continued, came from his attempts to ask tough questions while on the council.

"People don't like tough questions. That's too bad. I would vote my conscience; what's best for the city. I accept the realities of politics. I am not a politician. I am a public servant," he said.

ATTRIBUTING HIS success to a grass-roots campaign, Grant, who unsuccessfully twice tried for appointment and once for election to the council, expected to win. "I'm very pleased where I placed. I'm not surprised I did as well as I did," said Grant, a local businessman.

His campaign, Grant said, did not include door-to-door campaigning, rather heavy involvement from residents in all sections of the city.

Early Wednesday, Arnold, former planning commission chairman, said he had not yet analyzed the election results to determine where in the city he was successful and where he lost to Lichtman.

"My general thought is that it (the election) was name recognition," Arnold was appointed last December to fill former councilwoman Jan Do-



Philip Arnold defeated councilman

lan's seat until the November election.

Like many candidates in the city election, Lichtman, an attorney, was certain he would be elected. The only unknown for him was whether he'd take third or fourth place. "I tried to do a lot of everything—mailing signs. I tried to get a lot of word of mouth going in different parts of the city. People got involved."

Council members are paid \$1,800 a year.



Jonathan Grant (left) and Nancy Bates celebrate their election at a victory party in the Kendallwood Apartments Clubhouse Tuesday.



RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Councilman Ben Marks tells his supporters at Ginopolis Restaurant that he had won re-election Tuesday.



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AT LEFT: Zoning Board of Appeals member Richard Coroy (left) talks with Larry Lichtman at city hall as election results were being counted Tuesday.