

# 6 In Race For 3 City Council Seats



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On Tuesday, Nov. 2, City of Farmington voters will elect three councilmen and vote on three city charter amendments.

Six candidates, including three incumbents, are seeking election. The two candidates with the highest number of votes will serve for four years and the third runnerup will serve two years.

Council candidates are incumbents John Allen, Fred Seibert, and Ralph Yoder and challengers Thomas E. Brennan, John Courville, and William Hartsock.

The three charter amendments provide: five members for the Zoning Board of Appeals; a one-year residency requirement, instead of three, to hold city office; and a residency requirement of one year for members of city boards and commissions.

IN ADDITION to the biographical information on candidates given below, each was asked these questions:

1. What additional training and experience have you had which would qualify you for this office? (25 words limitation.)

2. What do you consider the priorities facing the City of Farmington and how would you approach them? (100 words limitation.)

JOHN A. ALLEN of 3293 Shiawassee, is an architect and has a bachelor's degree in architecture and engineering from University of Detroit. Allen, an incumbent, has been on the city council six years and a member of the city's planning commission for 14 years. His practice of architecture of 28 years includes work for shopping centers, city planning and industrial parks.

ANSWER: To maintain and improve our present high standard of government efficiency, public safety and citizen services without unnecessary financial burden to the people. Farmington has the lowest city tax rate in Oakland County.

"To fight obscenity and

(The following information about the City of Farmington election on Nov. 2 has been compiled by the West Bloomfield-Farmington Area League of Women Voters as a service to voters. Copies of the League's voters guide are available in the Farmington Library on Farmington Rd. just north of Alta Loma or in Farmington City Hall.)

protect our unique image and resources by stimulating citizen participation with city support and cooperation — Beautification Committee, Historical Society, garden clubs, Jaycee activities, etc.

"To provide the encouragement and opportunity for private enterprise to assume its share of participation, support and development for a healthy growth to provide a sound tax base and healthy economic climate."

THOMAS E. BRENNAN of 21359 Birchwood, is a real estate salesman who attended University of Detroit and is a former member of the Detroit Police Department.

ANSWER: "Keeping the City of Farmington a community where the law is respected and enforced. To provide personalized services to the residents from all branches of the city offices."

JOHN J. COURVILLE of 3218 Oakland is the owner of the Elmer's Shop in the City of Farmington.

Experience includes: member of Board of Control, Farmington Chamber of Commerce, member Farmington Exchange Club, past president of Farmington Junior Football Association; and chairman of Farmington's 1971 Michigan Week.

ANSWER: "It is of great importance that Farmington should be a community that has pleasant neighborhoods, convenient shopping centers and civic pride, while attempting to attract tax-producing businesses that blend well with the surroundings. People are proud of Farmington, and and city council should reflect the pride of the citizens in their decisions."

WILLIAM S. HARTSOCK of 940 Manning is a senior at Eastern Michigan University. He was a student senator and member of the Student Rights Committee while attending EMU.

ANSWER: My primary goal in seeking a city councilman position is to involve the community in city government. A vital program in furthering this objective is the implementation of a voter registration drive (duplating registrars and setting up booths throughout the city).

"On the part of the councilmen, it would involve speaking with various local organizations. A drug education program for parents and students is a necessity as well as one aimed at solving problems arising from the new age of majority. In short, through my campaign I hope to induce new and imaginative ways of solving city problems."

FREDERICK M. SEIBERT of 21626 Birchwood attended University of Michigan and Bradley Tech in Peoria, Ill. He completed the U.S. Army's specialized training program and is a supervisor of material control department for Ford Motor Co.

Seibert, an incumbent, has been on the city's planning commission for five years

Including three terms as chairman and on the zoning board of appeals for six years.

ANSWER: "Downtown

Redevelopment — finance this through special assessments and city at large. Recreational facilities — construct artificial skating rink arena. Widening Orchard Lake Rd. from Grand River to 10 Mile and paving Drake Rd. from Grand River to Freedom Rd. Finance these by bonding and contribution of county.

"Improve social services for senior citizens — enlarge programs and hire director. Relocation of Farmington Rd. between Shiawassee and 10 Mile — urge the appropriate

road commission to institute engineering studies at once.

RALPH D. YODER of 31661 Lamar is secretary and general manager of Tri-County Trucking Co. and Tri-County Enterprises, Inc.

Yoder, an incumbent, has served four years on the city's planning commission and one year on the zoning board of appeals. He currently is chairman of the City Retirement System and member of the Farmington Area Advisory Council and

Farmington Area Recreation Commission.

ANSWER: "There are still recreational needs to be met, including the refinement of Drake Road Park. The paving of Drake between Grand River and Freedom Rd. The separation of sanitary and storm sewers throughout the city, thereby eliminating the possible and occasional polluting of the Rouge River.

"Continue to plan the redevelopment of downtown Farmington including the

north side of Grand River. Strive for a higher quality of service at a continued low tax rate."



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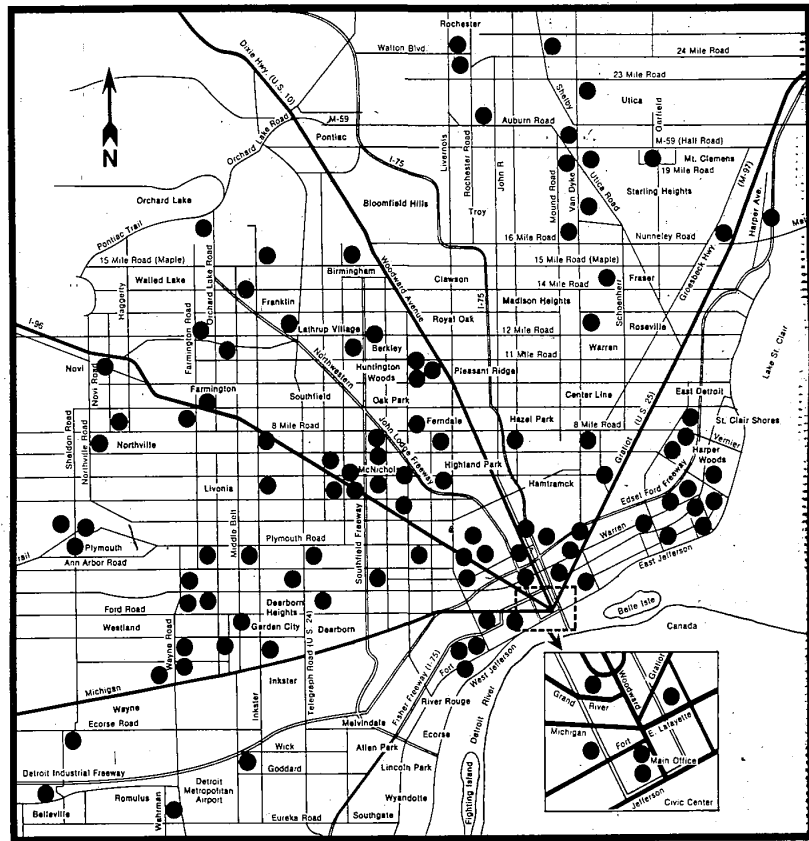
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