



SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Charter Meeting

This meeting will be held in-person and virtual.

**25 Crescent Road
Greenbelt, MD 20770**

OR

**Virtual Participation
Zoom Webinar Attendees:**

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**Monday, November 13, 2023
7:00 PM**

I. Special Meeting/Closed Session - Organizational Meeting of 45th City Council

1. Special Meeting/Closed Session - Organizational Meeting of 45th City Council
Suggested Action:

OFFICIAL NOTICE

In accordance with Section 3-305(b)(1) of the General Provisions Article of the *Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland*, a closed session of the Greenbelt City Council will be held on Monday, November 13th, 2023, in the Library of the Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment,

assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.

The purpose of this meeting will be the assignment of Council.

**** The public may attend the Special Meeting prior to the closed session and observe the vote of Council to move into closed session on Monday, November 13th, 2023.***

Bonita Anderson

City Clerk

II. Charter Meeting

1. Call to Order - Outgoing Mayor Jordan

Suggested Action:

The meeting will be called to order by outgoing Mayor Jordan.

2. Roll Call

Suggested Action:

The City Clerk will call the roll.

3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

4. Certification of Election Count - City Clerk

Suggested Action:

In accord with Section 8-9 of the City Election Code, the first order of business for this meeting is the City Clerk's filling of the certification of the election with the City Council and the reading of the certification into the minutes.

[Final Certification City Election_11.13.2023.pdf](#)

5. Oath of Office - Council Elect - by Mayor Jordan

Suggested Action:

Section 71 of the City Charter provides that every Member of Council shall, before entering upon the duties of his or her office, take and subscribe to a specified oath or affirmation, to be made before the retiring Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem.

6. Election of Temporary Chair

Suggested Action:

The first item of business for the new Council is to select a temporary chairperson to conduct the meeting until the new Mayor is elected.

7. Election of Mayor

Suggested Action:

Section 6 of the City Charter provides that at its first meeting following a regular election, the City Council shall choose one of its members as Mayor and that the Mayor will preside at meetings of Council and exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be provided by the Charter and ordinances of the City. The Charter further states that the Mayor shall be recognized as the head of City government for all ceremonial purposes, by the courts for serving civil purposes, and by the Governor of the state for purposes of military law.

8. Administration of Oath of Office to Newly Elected Mayor

Suggested Action:

Section 71 of the City Charter provides that the Mayor shall also take the oath of office prescribed in the Charter before the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County, or before a sworn deputy. Clerk of the Circuit Court of Prince George's County Mahasin El Amin will be present to administer the oath of office.

9. Statement by Mayor

10. Election of Mayor Pro Tem

Suggested Action:

Section 6 of the City Charter provides that at its first meeting the Council shall also choose one of its members as the Mayor Pro Tem. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Mayor, or in case of the Mayor's absence or disability, the Mayor Pro Tem shall act as Mayor for the unexpired term or during the continuance of the absence or disability.

11. Statement by Mayor Pro Tem

12. Statements by Members of Council

13. Other Business

Suggested Action:

In accordance with the Standing Rules for Council, members shall occupy the respective seats at the Council table assigned by the Mayor at the Charter Meeting. Any two or more members may exchange seats by joining in a written notice to the Mayor to that effect.

CERTIFICATION OF FINAL COUNT

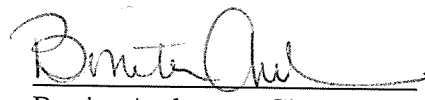
In accordance with Section 8-9 of the City Code, I have posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building a copy of the Certification of final Count of the Regular Election, held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, as prepared by the chair and members of the Board of Elections. A copy of the board's Certification of Final Count is being provided to all certified candidates in the election, both elected and not elected. Designated representatives of candidates were present throughout these procedures. Early Voting and Mail-In ballots were accounted for and tallied by three election clerks in the Council Room of the Municipal Building in the presence of two or more members of the Board of Elections.

The results of the November 7, 2023, Regular Election for City Council in order of ballot were:

Ric B. Gordon	1,737
Matthew A. Inzeo	1,092
Jennifer A. Pompei	1,697
Rodney M. Roberts	1,349
Moses N. Sekatawa	515
James R. Whipple	658
William A. Orleans	359
Emmett V. Jordan	2,036
Kristen L.K. Weaver	1,758
Danielle P. McKinney	1,597
Silke I. Pope	1,622

There were 2,685 ballots cast. Seven of the ten candidates received a number of votes equal to or more than 40% of the total ballots cast. Thus, in accordance with the requirements of Section 31 of the City Charter, the following seven candidates were elected to serve as member of the Council for a two-year term of office:

Emmett V. Jordan	2,036
Kristen L.K. Weaver	1,758
Ric B. Gordon	1,737
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Bonita Anderson, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION OF FINAL COUNT

The ballot also contained the following advisory question.

ADVISORY QUESTION ON VOTING BY RESIDENT NONCITIZENS

Shall Section 15 ("Voters") of the Charter of the City of Greenbelt be amended to read as follows: (Note: Underscoring indicates language to be added to the City Charter.)

A qualified voter within the meaning of this charter shall be [any person] every citizen of the United States who is a resident of the City of Greenbelt and [who] is duly registered with Prince George's County under [the] applicable provisions of [Article 33 of] the Annotated Code of Maryland; if not a U.S. citizen, then a resident registered to vote with the City Clerk, provided that eligibility to vote in any City election shall be subject to applicable [registration deadlines as set forth] law in the Charter and Code of the City.

"Should Greenbelt residents who meet residency requirements but are not U.S. citizens be allowed to vote in City elections?"

The results of the advisory question were:

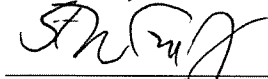
FOR the Charter Amendment 1591

AGAINST the Charter Amendment 799

The advisory question was therefore declared approved.

ATTEST:

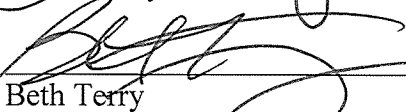
Members, Board of Elections:



Steven Gilbert



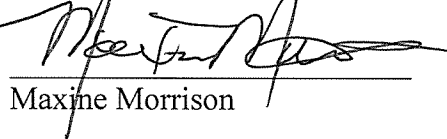
Alison Gary



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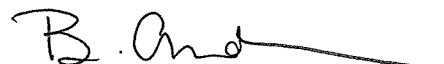


Patricia Evans



Maxine Morrison

I hereby acknowledged that the final count certification includes one ^{advisory} referendum question that was also listed on the November 7, 2023, City Council Election ballot.



Bonita Anderson, City Clerk

CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND

FINAL CERTIFICATION OF FINAL COUNT

REGULAR COUNCIL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 9, 2023

We, the undersigned, Chair and Members of the Board of Elections of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, do hereby certify to the City Clerk that the following is the final count of the Regular Council Election held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, on Tuesday, November 9, 2023, at the five designated precincts between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. and that the count is based upon compilation of certifications of count submitted by the Precinct Judges.

We further certify that a total of **2,697** electors cast ballots at the Regular Election for Members of the City Council, of which **2,685** ballots were found to be in order and counted and **12*** ballots were declared invalid and not accepted for count.

We further certify that 40% of the valid ballots cast for Members of the City Council is **1,074**.

We further certify that the following is a complete and accurate tally of the valid ballots cast for Members of the City Council.

*Note: 12 were mail-in ballots with no identifying information on the outer envelope.

CERTIFICATION OF FINAL COUNT

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"Should Greenbelt residents who meet residency requirements but are not U.S. citizens be allowed to vote in City elections?"

The results of the advisory question were:

FOR the Charter Amendment	1591
AGAINST the Charter Amendment	799

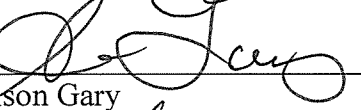
The advisory question was therefore declared approved.

ATTEST:

Members, Board of Elections:



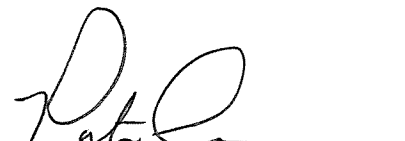
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Bonita Anderson, City Clerk

**City of Greenbelt
Regular Election
November 7, 2023**

	Precinct 3	Precinct 6	Precinct 8	Precinct 13	Precinct 18	Early Voting	Mail-in	<i>Total Votes</i>
For City Council								
Ric B. Gordon	418	322	94	93	103	168	539	1737
Matthew A. Inzeo	240	196	42	81	127	97	309	1092
Jennifer A. Pompei	399	299	79	103	115	170	529	1694
Rodney M. Roberts	302	259	46	87	105	107	438	1344
Moses N. Sekatawa	100	82	33	31	51	33	185	515
James R. Whipple	143	110	39	41	45	62	218	658
William A. Orleans	83	54	15	28	32	31	116	359
Emmett V. Jordan	477	358	93	133	159	189	627	2036
Kristen L.K. Weaver	395	301	90	95	110	190	564	1745
Danielle P. McKinney	360	264	90	105	106	168	504	1597
Silke I. Pope	375	300	52	93	126	148	528	1622
Write-In	15	8	2	3	2	10	17	57
Total votes cast	3307	2553	675	893	1081	1373	4574	14456
Aver. # of votes cast per voter in Council race	5.5	5.3	5.2	5.4	5.2	5.3	5.6	5.4
Voter Statistics								<i>Total Voters</i>
PROVISIONAL	14	2	1	2	2		1	22
# of voters voting at polls	604	484	130	164	209			1591
# of voters voting early voting + mail-in						261	811	1072
Total Voting (polls + early voting + mail-in)	618	486	131	166	211	261	812	2685
# Registered to Vote	3,197	2,441	3,824	3,023	2,588			15,073
% of reg. voters voting	19.3%	19.9%	3.4%	5.5%	8.2%			17.8%
Referendum (Yes)	385	282	91	93	123	174	445	1593
Referendum (No)	178	151	25	54	60	64	267	799

CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND

CERTIFICATION OF EARLY VOTING BALLOTS CAST

REGULAR COUNCIL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 7, 2023

We, the undersigned election clerks appointed for the purpose of counting early voting ballots cast in the Regular Council Election, held on November 7, 2023, in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, do hereby certify that a total of **1373** early voting ballots were cast in Precincts 3, 6, 8, 13 and 18 in a timely fashion and in accordance with applicable regulations; and

We further certify that of the **1373** early voting ballots cast, **0** were found in order and counted; **0** ballots were declared invalid and not accepted for count; and

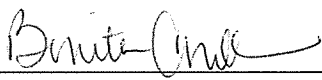
We further certify that the following is a complete and accurate tally of the valid votes cast for Members of City Council.

NAME OF CANDIDATE	Precinct 3	Precinct 8	Precinct 18	TOTAL
RIC B. GORDON	133	8	27	168
MATTHEW A. INZEO	65	10	22	97
JENNIFER A. POMPI	138	9	23	170
RODNEY M. ROBERTS	89	5	14	107
MOSES N. SEKATAWA	26	2	5	33
JAMES R. WHIPPLE	45	5	12	62
WILLIAM A. ORLEANS	22	3	6	31
EMMETT V. JORDAN	142	12	35	189
KRISTEN L.K. WEAVER	155	8	27	190
DANIELLE P. MCKINNEY	129	9	30	168
SILKE I. POPE	116	10	22	148

We further certify that the following is a complete and accurate tally of the valid ballots cast for the Ballot Questions:

ADVISORY QUESTION ON VOTING BY RESIDENT NONCITIZENS	
	TOTAL
FOR the Charter Amendment	174
AGAINST the Charter Amendment	64

Received for filing and certification this 9th day of November 2023. I further certify that I verified the registration of the voters of the early voting ballots.



Bonita Anderson, City Clerk

CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND

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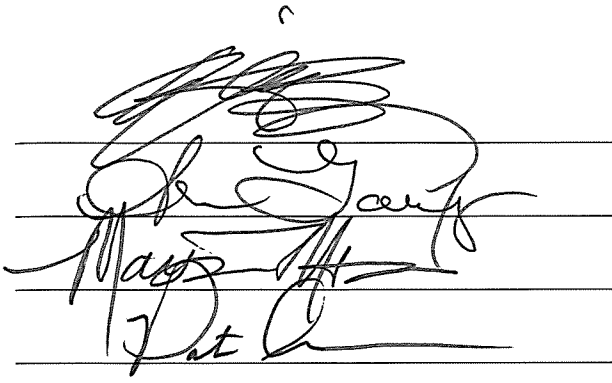
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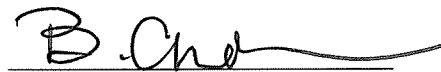
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Mark H. Datt

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Bonita Anderson
City Clerk

We further certify that the following candidates received the highest number and 40% or more of the votes cast for Member of Council and hereby are declared to have been elected for a two-year term of office:

NAME OF CANDIDATES ELECTED	VOTES RECEIVED
Emmett V. Jordan	2,036
Kristen L.V. Weaver	1,758
Ric B. Gordon	1,737
Jennifer A. Pompei	1,697
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We further certify that there remain 0 vacant positions on the City Council. In accordance with the provisions of Section 31 of the Charter of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, a runoff election SHALL NOT be held.

Steve Gilbert, Chair
Board of Elections

ATTEST:

Members, Board of Elections:

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Bonita Anderson
City Clerk

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Shaymar Higgs			1			1		2
Alfredo Olivera			1					1
Judith Davis				11		1	1	4
Marcos T. Council				1				1
James Trout					1			1
Vijay Kowtha					1			1
Donad Olivers		1						1
Kolci Feonai	1							1
Tiffany Malcom	1							1
Susan Normand	1							1

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Alexander Zajac		1						1
Douglas Borton		1						1
Derrick F.	1							1
N/A	1							1
Lois Rosado	1							1
Jesús Christ	1							1
Molly Lestor	11							2
Jay Conway	1							1
Konrad Herling								1

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Christine Chianese	1							1
Robert Snyder	1							1
Free Palestine	11							2
James M. Williams	1	1			1			1
Ed Putens					1			1
Lore Rosenthal					1			1
John F. Saunders					1			1
Sheila Maffey Tutill					1			1

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Rebeca Rath Lemos						1		1
Joseph Kalbovsky							1	1
Jefferson Davis							1	1
William Kalbovsky							1	1
Edgar Allen Poe							1	1
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Kein Kochendes							1	1
Aisha Rice							1	1

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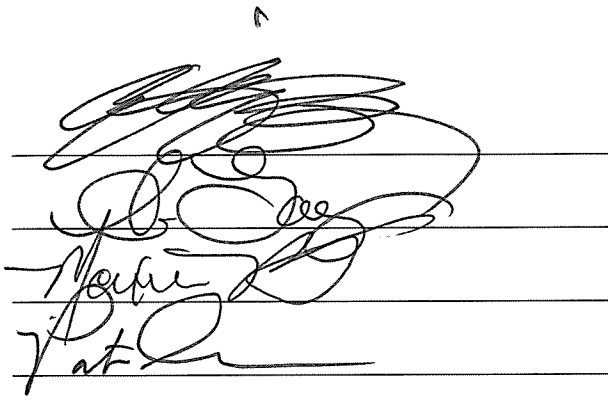
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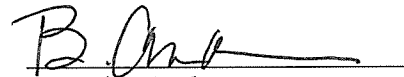
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Brian Sanford Palmer						1	1
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Kimberly Walsh						1	1
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Handwritten signatures and initials, including "J. B. Lee", "Meri", and "Pat", written over horizontal lines.

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Bonita Anderson
City Clerk