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**Bowie Residents Vote to Recall District 2 Councilmember Diane Polangin**

On December 19, District 2 residents voted in a Special Election to recall Councilmember Diane Polangin from office. The results were 69.23% voting “YES” to recall the councilmember and 30.77% voting “NO”. There were 1,615 votes cast in the City’s first ever Recall Election.

The Special Recall Election was scheduled after a recall petition signed by more than 25% of the registered voters of District 2 was presented to the City in November and certified by the Board of Elections. The City Charter requires that a vote take place within 30 days of a recall petition being certified.

The ballot contained a single question:

*“Do you vote to recall from her City elective office District 2 Councilmember Diane Polangin?”*

Since a majority of the voters voted YES, Councilmember Polangin will be recalled from office and another election will be held in 60 to 90 days to fill the vacancy created by the recall.

Only residents of Bowie Council District 2 were eligible to vote in this Special Recall Election. District 2 consists of the following neighborhoods: Belair Town, Bowie Forest, Buckingham, Derbyshire, Fairview, Forest Hills, Foxhill, Glenridge, Grady’s Walk, Highbridge Park, Kenilworth, Longridge, Meadowbrook (only the streets south and west of Millstream Drive), Somerset, Stewart’s Landing, and Tulip Grove.

Voter turnout for this election was 15.33%.

Councilmember Polangin was first elected to the City Council in 2007 and was returned to office in 2009, 2011, 2013, and 2015. The next General City election for all City offices is slated to take place in November 2019.

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