



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

CITY COUNCIL

January 09, 2020

WRITTEN MOTION

Requesting, that the City of New Bedford look into establishing a Government Academy, similar to the program in Framingham, a six-week program where Citizens learn about the functions of City government; and further, these classes would be taught by City leaders at no cost, also requesting, that a representative from the Administration be invited to attend a Committee on Appointments and Briefings meeting to collaborate on how to move this process forward. (To be Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings.)

Ian Abreu, Councillor at Large

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Welcome to

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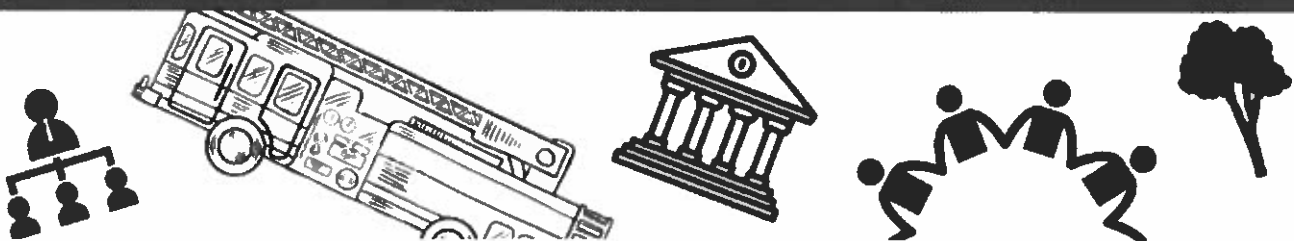
FRAMINGHAM GOVERNMENT ACADEMY



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The Framingham Government Academy (FGA) is an engaging 6-week program that provides residents with an in-depth look into the functions of city government. Sessions will be guided by city representatives and include a combination of educational and interactive workshops.

The program was created to make city functions more transparent and accessible so that residents can become informed, effective, and equipped with the knowledge to engage in the democratic process. The FGA is an initiative of the Office of Mayor. There is no cost to enroll.

BENEFITS OF ENROLLING IN THE ACADEMY: Participants will learn directly from city leaders and better understand the functions of the municipality. With this knowledge, participants will be equipped to lead collective action towards the advancement of neighborhoods and quality of life, be prepared to serve on City Boards, Committees, and Commissions, and learn how to engage in the process to improve policy prescriptions, programming, and communication.

SCHEDULE AND PARTICIPATION: FGA Fall session will begin on September 5 and conclude on November 14. Classes meet biweekly on Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Residents interested in participating must submit an application and commit to attending all sessions. Class sizes are limited to 20 members and accepted on a first come first served basis.

Schedule Overview:

Week 1: Thursday, September 5 – Framingham 101

Week 2: Thursday, September 19 – Funding Framingham

Week 3: Thursday, October 3 – Developing Framingham

Week 4: Thursday, October 17 – Keeping Framingham Safe

Week 5: Wednesday, October 30 – Community Services

Week 6: Thursday, November 14 – Your Framingham

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HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday

8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Tuesday

8:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Friday

8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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