

**CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE
DEER MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

NAME Kathryn Wojcik COUNCIL DISTRICT 2

DATE February 19, 2009

ROCHESTER HILLS RESIDENT FOR 24 YEARS

OCCUPATION retired

INTERESTS/REASONS/QUALIFICATIONS

I would like to help our city find a way to manage the deer population so that residents can enjoy the deer while at the same time reducing the number of vehicle collisions with deer. I would like to find a way to accomplish this at no cost to the taxpayers and without killing the deer.

WHAT IS YOUR OPINION REGARDING THE 2009 DEER MANAGEMENT POLICY?

I am pleased the culling by the Sheriff's deputies has been suspended. I think the council members who instituted the policy are good people who thought they were doing the right thing and also thought they were acting according to the wishes of their constituents. I am very optimistic that it is possible to greatly reduce the number of deer/vehicle collisions without spending taxpayer funds and without killing any deer. I think that the Oakland County Sheriff's Department is a fine police force for our city but using them to cull deer was not a wise use of their time and equipment.

WHAT SOLUTIONS/SUGGESTIONS DO YOU HAVE TO OFFER FOR THE 2010 DEER MANAGEMENT POLICY?

I like the idea of the committee investigating how best to accomplish the goal of reducing deer/vehicle collisions. The advisory committee could research effective methods which have been used elsewhere and seek advice from ecologists. There may be a way to reduce these collisions without reducing the size of the deer herd. If it is deemed necessary to reduce the number of deer, there may be a way to do this without killing the deer. The advisory committee should listen to everyone's ideas before deciding on any recommendations about deer management.

PERTINENT EDUCATION

B.A. (1965) and M.Ed. (1980) in science education, with biology emphasis, Trenton (NJ) State College, now named College of New Jersey

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

I am a member of St. Andrew Church in Rochester where I serve on various committees.

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES ON WHICH YOU HAVE SERVED (LIST MUNICIPALITIES AND DATES)

none

ELECTIVE OFFICES THAT YOU HAVE HELD

none

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

I am a retired biology teacher having taught in both New Jersey and at Hamtramck High School. I love watching the deer in my yard. I am saddened that this issue has divided our city. I have no political aspirations.

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