



Budget Meeting
6:00 p.m., Monday, April 26, 2021
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

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BUDGET MEETING MINUTES

A special budget meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on April 26, 2021, as a Virtual Meeting via Zoom, an electronic meeting platform. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976 and electronically as authorized under the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.261, et seq., as amended by HB 1108, in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, protect the public health, and provide essential protections to vulnerable Michiganders by limiting in-person contact and the number of people interacting at public gatherings.

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Mayor Sara Bowman.

1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Sara Bowman	Mayor	Present	
David DeLind	Councilmember	Present	
Joe LaRussa	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
Steve Schneemann	Councilmember	Present	
Maria Taylor	Councilmember	Present	

City Administration Present

DDA Director Knight
City Clerk Mullison
City Manager Murphy
City Controller Norgard
City Attorney Saarela
City Treasurer Weber

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Move to approve the agenda with the removal of the first public comment, with the second public comment remaining.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Schneemann, Councilmember
SECONDER:	DeLind, Councilmember
AYES:	Schneemann, Taylor, Bowman, DeLind, LaRussa

3. DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY PROPOSED BUDGET

DDA Executive Director Kate Knight presented highlights of the Downtown Development Authority 2021-22 Budget and answered questions about details within the budget.

4. CITY MANAGER'S PROPOSED BUDGET

City Manager Murphy presented the proposed FY2021/22 budget, including the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Council asked questions about a Governor Warner Mansion line item, defraying a proposed deficit, the Retiree Health Care fund, American Rescue Plan funds, COVID-related losses, GLWA rates, and planned infrastructure projects such as Water & Sewer, roads, and sidewalks.

Council was appreciative of the work done to bring this budget together by Murphy, Department Heads, Director Weber, Controller Norgard, Deputy Treasurer Pohlman, and Administrative Assistant Ridderbos.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was heard.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Susan Kramer, 24105 Twin Valley Court, thanked Council for going over the detailed budget information.

7. COUNCIL COMMENT

LaRussa commended all for their work.

DeLind recognized Sarah Davies for her efforts on the Beautification Committee for the recent city-wide clean up day.

Bowman said that she appreciated everyone who had worked on the budget for presenting a well-rounded picture of the costs of maintaining the high quality of service Farmington residents have come to expect.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: Taylor, Councilmember

SECONDER: DeLind, Councilmember

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Sara Bowman, Mayor

Mary J. Mullison, City Clerk

Approval Date: June 21, 2021