

Special Council Meeting 6:30 p.m., Thursday, February 4, 2021 Virtual Meeting via Zoom

# FINAL

## **SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on February 4, 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 6:31 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	Absent	7:06 pm
Maria Taylor	Councilmember	Present	

# **City Administration Present**

City Clerk Mullison City Manager Murphy Director Weber

### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Move to approve the agenda as presented.

RESULT: APPROVED AS PRESENTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: LaRussa, Mayor Pro Tem SECONDER: Taylor, Councilmember

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was heard.

#### 4. FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL FORECAST

City Manager Murphy and Director Weber gave a high-level overview of a five-year forecast for the finances of the city. Murphy noted that there were things such as the pandemic and the sale of the Maxfield Training Center property that are not really represented in the forecast. Specifics were reviewed and figures were examined, with particular notice of what was built into the forecast and what could be expected in specific circumstances. Weber noted that any forecast is only as good as the assumptions it is built on and he went over those used for the forecast.

DeLind asked Weber whether state-shared revenue had changed between pre-COVID times and now. Weber responded that state-shared revenues remain close to what they have historically been. He noted that those might change depending on whether a stimulus package goes through and what the earnings of the residents of the State of Michigan will be.

LaRussa thanked Weber for preparing the report and observed that it was always good to have a look out into the future and to see what's coming. In response to a question from LaRussa, Weber said that full statutory state-shared revenue would be 300-500k per year. LaRussa said he was curious as to how this forecast looks as opposed to the forecast done pre-millage and asked Weber to compare the two. Weber and LaRussa discussed home values and assumptions related to housing.

## 5. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was heard.

#### 6. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was heard.

## 7. COUNCIL COMMENT

DeLind thanked Weber and his team for putting the Five-year Financial Forecast presentation together.

LaRussa promoted the DDA Hot Cocoa Crawl this evening for Heart the Art.

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER: DeLind, Councilmember

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Sara Bowman, Mayor

Mary Mullison, City Clerk

Approval Date: February 16, 2021