



City Council Meeting
7:00 p.m., Monday, August 19, 2024
Conference Room
23600 Liberty Street
Farmington, MI 48335

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on August 19, 2024, at 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, MI. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM by Mayor LaRussa.

1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Johnna Balk	Mayor Pro-Tem	Present	
Joe LaRussa	Mayor	Absent	
Kevin Parkins	Councilmember	Present	
Steve Schneemann	Councilmember	Present	
Maria Taylor	Councilmember	Present	

City Administration Present

City Manager David Murphy
 Assistant City Manager, Chris Weber
 City Clerk, Meaghan Bachman
 DPW Superintendent Chuck Eudy
 DDA Director, Kate Knight
 City Treasurer, Jaime Pohlman
 City Attorney, Tom Schultz

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident Jeffrey Suhre of 33113 Orchard Street spoke of flooded parking lot due to the rain.

4. APPROVAL OF ITEMS ON CONSENT AGENDA

- A. City of Farmington Minutes
- B. Farmington Monthly Payments Report
- C. National Fit Challenge Grant Acceptance Resolution

Move to approve the consent agenda as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED UNANIMOUS
MOVER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Parkins, Councilmember

5. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR AGENDA

Move to approve the regular agenda with the removal of items 7-C Design concept of Thomas Street and 7-H Revised salt storage facility design.

RESULT: APPROVED UNANIMOUS
MOVER: Schneemann, Councilmember
SECONDER: Taylor, Councilmember

6. PRESENTATION/PUBLIC HEARINGS

6-A. Presentation - Special Event Application – Holly Days

The Compo and Medema Group has decided to organize Holly Days which has been an annual event usually hosted by the Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber decided not to do the event this year and Annette Compo did not want to see the event end. The event will follow the same foot print as last year, however, Riley Park will likely be unavailable for the event because the City plans to start putting up the ice rink. Holly Days is slated for Dec. 7. and includes the Gift, Greens and Giving Holiday Market in Riley Park and a lighted parade down Grand River.

Move to approve the special event application for the 2024 Holly Days and Light Up the Grand Parade on December 7, 2024

RESULT: APPROVED UNANIMOUS
MOVER: Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER: Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem

7. NEW BUSINESS 7A – 7F

7-A Consideration to Adopt Resolution Recommending Approval of Redevelopment Liquor License for Good Food Farmington, LLC

Move to approve resolution authorizing a new Class C and SDM Redevelopment Liquor License with SundaySales Permit and Outdoor Service Permit, and Social District Permit for Good Food Farmington, LLC, 33043 Grand River Ave.

2) Approve resolution authorizing submittal of documentation for a Redevelopment Liquor License for Good Food Farmington, LLC for Spruce and Ash, 33043 Grand River Ave.

3) Move to approve Resolution of Local Approval for issuance of new Class C and SDM Redevelopment Liquor License with Sunday Sales Permit and Outdoor Service Permit, and Social District Permit for Good Food Farmington, LLC, 33043 Grand

River Ave subject to final review and approval of background checks by Public Safety and to final inspections of the premises by the City’s Building Official.

RESULT:	APPROVED – UNANIMOUS
MOVER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Parkins, Councilmember
AYES:	Balk, LaRussa, Parkins, Schneemann, Taylor

7-B Warner Home Appropriation Budget, Concept and Ad Hoc Committee

Presented by City Manager David Murphy. In January of 2024, the City of Farmington was granted a \$1,000,000 appropriation to be used on the Warner Home and grounds. City Manager Murphy met with DPW Superintendent, Chuck Eudy, to prepare a budget to utilize the funds as part of the grant award. Mr. Eudy and the City Manager met with Council Member Schneemann to revise the budget and take into consideration the concept that Mr. Schneemann proposed. It was suggested that an ad hoc committee consisting of the City Manager, Superintendent of Public Works and two City Council members should be assembled to oversee the repairs and coordinate the next phases of the event center.

Move to approve the proposed concept for the future of the Warner Home and grounds as an event space, and the proposed budget to utilize the \$1,000,000 appropriation for the Warner Home and grounds as presented, and an ad hoc committee consisting of the City Manager, Superintendent of Public Works, Councilmember Taylor, and Councilmember Schneemann.

RESULT:	APPROVED – UNANIMOUS
MOVER:	Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Parkins, Councilmember

7-C Construction Estimate No. 8 for the 2022 Road Rehabilitation Project

Move to approve payment to Best Asphalt Incorporated for payment application No. 8 in the amount of \$18,186.67 for the 2022 Road Rehabilitation Project.

RESULT:	APPROVED – UNANIMOUS
MOVER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	LaRussa, Parkins, Schneemann, Taylor, Balk

7-D Emergency Sewer Repair Payment

Move to Approve payment to D’Angelo Brothers Incorporated located in Farmington Hills MI in the amount of \$45,855.58 for the emergency sanitary sewer repair at 34225 Conroy Court.

RESULT:	APPROVED – UNANIMOUS
MOVER:	Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Parkins, Schneemann, Taylor, Balk, LaRussa

7-E Emergency Sanitary Sewer Lining

Presented by DPW Superintendent Eudy. A sinkhole formed in the Farmington Road right-of-way near 21790 Farmington Road. Crews cleaned and CCTV the sanitary sewer from Farmington Road towards 21790 Farmington Road. Crews located a failed sanitary sewer due to H2S (Hydrogen Sulfide Gas). H2S will cause deterioration of concrete sewer pipe. Upon further investigation, crews identified several sanitary sewer structures with H2S deterioration, and approximately of 2,260 lineal feet of 12-inch diameter concrete sanitary sewer with mild to severe H2S deterioration. Crews temporarily repaired the failed sanitary sewer until replacement or CIPP lining could be conducted.

Two sewer lining projects are included in the 24/25 FY budget. The two locations are Thomas & School Street, and 33700 Freedom Road. Budget allocations for the two locations were based upon quotes from Pipeline Management. Pipeline Management historically has been low bidder on several sewer lining projects for the City of Farmington and has preapproved unit pricing for Oakland County Water Resource Commission (OCWRC). If all three projects were combined (Thomas & School Street, 33700 Freedom Road, Farmington Road H2S) a cost savings of mobilization expenses would be possible.

OHM has reviewed the proposals from Pipeline Management and due to the condition of the sanitary sewer, and the potential of sanitary sewer main failures which would affect 500 homes, recommends including the two budgeted projects with the emergency sanitary sewer lining.

Stand Alone Project CIPP Lining

Farmington Glen	\$34,450
Thomas & School Street	\$97,490
<u>Farmington Road</u>	<u>\$271,180</u>
	\$403,120
<u>5% Contingency</u>	<u>\$20,156</u>
	\$423,275

Combined Projects CIPP Lining \$403,120, savings of \$20,155 or 4.8%.

Move to approve Emergency Sanitary Sewer Lining to Pipeline Management in the amount of \$423,276. The funding will come from the reallocation of funds from a project previously budgeted.

RESULT:	APPROVED – UNANIMOUS
MOVER:	Parkins, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	Schneemann, Taylor, Balk, LaRussa, Parkins

7-F Emergency Sewer Repair

Early July 2024 the Public Works office was notified of a sinkhole near 21790 Farmington Road. Crews investigated and conducted a temporary repair of the concrete sanitary sewer pipe. During the investigation and temporary repair crews identified the sewer failure was caused by Hydrogen Sulfide gas (H2S). H2S gas is present in sanitary sewers and causes deterioration of concretes sanitary sewer pipes. The Chesley Lift Staton force main discharges to a sanitary sewer structure near 21790 Farmington Road increasing the H2S gases. Crews continued investigating the sanitary sewer system downstream from that address to determine the extent of deterioration caused by the H2S gas. Crews identified an additional 60-foot-long segment of concrete sanitary sewer deteriorated beyond repair of CIPP lining, which will require open cut excavation for the sanitary sewer replacement. D’Angelo Brother’s Inc located at 30836 W. 8 Mile Road, Farmington Hills 48336 quote in the amount of \$67,526.32 includes concrete removal, +/- 60 lineal feet of sanitary sewer replacement, backfill & compaction, 21AA Crushed Concrete driving surface. Concrete replacement is not included in the D’Angelo quote as the amount of concrete replacement will be unknown until the sanitary sewer is replaced. Concrete replacement will be completed by one of our concrete contractors as soon as possible. OHM has been informed of the H2S deterioration of the concrete sanitary sewers and is investigating what measures could be implemented to reduce the H2S gases. D’Angelo Brothers Incorporated is a pre-approved Oakland County Water Resources Commission sanitary sewer repair contractor.

Move to Approve D’Angelo Brothers Incorporated located in Farmington Hills MI to conduct emergency sanitary sewer repair near 21790 Farmington Road due to H2S deterioration.

RESULT:	APPROVED – UNANIMOUS
MOVER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	Taylor, Balk, LaRussa, Parkins, Schneemann

7-G Spray Patch Road Repair on Tree Hill Blvd

Move to approve Spray-Patch Road Repair Inc to conduct the spray-patch road repair on Tree Hill Blvd. not to exceed \$15,000.

RESULT:	APPROVED – UNANIMOUS
MOVER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Parkins, Councilmember
AYES:	Balk, LaRussa, Parkins, Schneemann, Taylor

7-H Consideration to Amend Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget

Move to adopt Budget Amendment Resolution #2, amending Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget.

RESULT:	APPROVED – UNANIMOUS
MOVER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	LaRussa, Parkins, Schneemann, Taylor, Balk

7-I Amend Social District hours for Football Tailgate Event

Move to approve a resolution amending the social district common area management and maintenance plan for a temporary change in the hours of operation for September 8, 2024, to allow the Commons Area to be open until 11:59 PM on that single date and approve the football Tailgate event that is proposed to take place in the Syndicate area outside adjacent to the west parking lot.

RESULT:	APPROVED – UNANIMOUS
MOVER:	Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
AYES:	Parkins, Schneemann, Taylor, Balk, LaRussa

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Brian from Heights Brewing spoke of the Founders Festival and concerns about communication with the organizer.

Della James of 33250 Freedom, spoke of the Founders Festival and the information booth.

9. CITY COUNCIL COMMENT

Councilmember Taylor invited all to attend the Bicentennial Timeline Mural Ribbon Cutting on September 25, 2024, from 5:30-6:00 PM.

Mayor Pro-Tem Balk reminded everyone of the upcoming rummage sale at the Mansion.

Mayor LaRussa spoke of the SOCMA monthly dinner that will be hosted in Farmington. The Mayor noted the Maxfield demo project was a work in progress for years and he is proud of all the work that went into it and thanked all who participated. Mayor LaRussa inquired about a collection policy for the Mansion.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Johnna Balk, Mayor Pro-Tem

Meaghan Bachman, City Clerk

Approval Date: