



**Special City Council Meeting
6:15 p.m., November 11, 2025
Conference Room
23600 Liberty Street
Farmington, MI 48335**

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on November 11, 2025, 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 6:17 PM by Mayor LaRussa

1. ROLL CALL

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

City Administration Present:

City Manager, David Murphy
City Clerk, Meaghan Bachman
City Attorney, Tom Schultz

2. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

Motion by Balk
Seconded by Taylor

Resolved, move to approve the agenda as presented.

Note: Agenda day of the week will be changed to reflect Tuesday, not Monday.

Motion carried unanimously 5-0

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public spoke.

4. DISCUSS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH JAG ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE FARMINGTON FOUNDERS FESTIVAL (TO BE ENTERED INTO BY THE DDA) AND RELATED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH THE DDA.

Motion by Taylor
Supported by Balk

RESOLVED, move to Approve Professional Services Agreement With JAG Entertainment and for the Farmington Founders Festival (to be entered into by the DDA) and Related MOU with the DDA, subject to DDA approval of both.

Roll Call Vote:
Yea: Balk, LaRussa, Parkins, Schneemann, Taylor
Nay: None

Motion carried unanimously 5-0

5. CONSIDERATION TO ESTABLISH THE FARMINGTON FOUNDERS FESTIVAL ADVISORY STEERING COMMITTEE

Council discussed the composition of the committee, discussing how many residents, business owners, and city staff should be included. They decided to add two additional residents to the existing eight proposed members. The original Staff Report included the following:

- At least two of the members shall have an interest in property in the downtown district
- At least one shall be a resident of the City of Farmington
- At least one City Council Member (but not more than two)
- The DDA Director or their designee
- The City Manager or their designee
- The Public Safety Director or their designee
- The DPW Superintendent or their designee.

Motion by Taylor
Supported by Parkins

RESOLVED, move to approve framework for establishing the Farmington Founders Festival Advisory Steering Committee.

Motion carried unanimously 5-0

6. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT STEERING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

Motion by Taylor
Supported by Balk

RESOLVED, move to appoint Mayor Pro-Tem Johnna Balk to the Capital Improvement Plan Steering Committee.

Motion carried unanimously 5-0

7. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public spoke.

9. COUNCIL COMMENT

Mayor LaRussa reminded Council to look at the Committee assignments and note their interests.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Balk
Seconded by Taylor

Resolved, move to adjourn the special meeting at 6:36 PM.

Motion carried unanimously

Joe LaRussa, Mayor

Meaghan K. Bachman, City Clerk