



Special Council Meeting
6:00 p.m., Monday, April 18, 2022
Council Chambers
23600 Liberty Street
Farmington, MI 48335

FINAL

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on April 18, 2022 in Farmington City Hall, Farmington, MI. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Sara Bowman.

1. ROLL CALL

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

City Administration Present

City Clerk Mullison
City Manager Murphy
Director Weber (arrived 6:45 pm)

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. BOARD AND COMMISSION INTERVIEWS

A. Commission on Children, Youth and Families

Jordan Scrimger was interviewed for an appointment to the Farmington/Farmington Hills Commission on Children, Youth and Families. There is currently one opening for a regular member and one for an alternate member, with terms ending December 31, 2024.

B. Historical Commission

Council interviewed Kevin Parkins for one of two seats open on the Farmington Historical Commission. The vacancy is for a three-year term that would end March 31, 2025.

C. Board and Commission Interview

Mic Fahey was interviewed for his interest in several boards and commissions.

5. CONVERSION OF 457 AND 401(A) PLANS FROM MISSIONSQUARE TO MERS

City Manager Murphy and Director Weber described current 457 and 401a plan offerings by MissionSquare and compared them with plans administered by MERS. They recommended changing carriers for this voluntary benefit plan citing lower fees, higher performance, and ease of use by participants from the MERS plans.

Move to adopt the MERS Uniform 457 Supplemental Retirement Program Resolution and MERS 457 Participation Agreement and authorize City Administration to execute the conversion of the City's 457 and 401(a) plans from Mission Square to MERS.**

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	LaRussa, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	Taylor, Balk, Bowman, LaRussa, Schneemann

6. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was heard.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was heard.

8. COUNCIL COMMENT

Schneemann commented that he would not be able to be at the following regular meeting, but that he would like to make a few comments. He said that he was supportive of making changes on the Masonic corner, and that it was important to retain the boulders in the current planter, and to maintain ADA access to the area and crosswalks. He requested that a plan be in place before the demolition of the planter occurs. He also spoke about favoring an assessment of City Hall and thinks that the cost was reasonable. He said that if there was any other information needed after the study, he felt comfortable with asking OHM to go back and take another look at specific items.

Balk mentioned representing Council at a spring networking event.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Sara Bowman, Mayor

Mary Mullison, City Clerk

Approval Date: May 16, 2022