 **City Council Meeting**

**6:00 p.m., Monday, May 05, 2025**

**Conference Room**

**23600 Liberty Street**

**Farmington, MI 48335**

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**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on May 05, 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 7:01 PM by Mayor LaRussa.

**1. ROLL CALL**

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| **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

Deputy City Clerk, Sue Alvey

City Attorney, Beth Saarela

Director of Public Safety, Bob Houhanisin

Treasurer- Finance Director, Jamie Pohlman

Public Works Superintendent- Chuck Eudy

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Kristy Mack, member of the HOA Board for the Riverwalk Farmington community surrounding Flanders Park spoke in regards to the neighborhood exercise platform project and upkeep of the park and presented a petition.

Kelly Hansen, Letitia Dean, Colleen Wojciechowski, David Brandon, Katrina Cummins, members of the HOA Board for the Riverwalk Farmington Community surrounding Flanders Park spoke on the exercise platform project at Flanders park.

**4. APPROVAL OF ITEMS ON CONSENT AGENDA**

**Special Event Application: Annual Power Middle School Band Concerts**

Motion by Schneemann

Seconded by Balk

Resolved, move to approval the consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously 5-0

**5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

Motion by Schneemann

Seconded by Balk

Resolved, move to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously 5-0

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution for Deer Management Agreement**

Motion by Balk

Seconded by Taylor

Resolved, move to adopt resolution for deer management within the City of Farmington and authorize the City Manager to sign written agreements subject to the City Attorney’s final review of Agreements as it relates to Deer Management.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Balk, LaRussa, Parkins, Schneemann, Taylor

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously 5-0

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Bob Sebulak commented on the deer management.

Kelly Hansen, member of the HOA Board for the Riverwalk Farmington Community commented on final thoughts regarding the park equipment platform project.

**8. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Schneemann suggested to put a pause on the equipment platform project at Flanders Park.

Taylor commented on the equipment platform project at Flanders Park and the future for the Governor Warner Mansion.

Balk commented on communication with residents and added on to Council member Taylor’s comments.

Parkins seconded Schneeman’s comments.

LaRussa commented on communication with residents in regards to upkeeping the parks and advised that all feedback can be submitted to the committee for the Parks and Recs Master Plan and continued and provided DTE update on outage targets.

**9. CLOSED SESSION**

**Discuss Negotiations for Collective Bargaining Agreement**

Motion by Schneemann

Seconded by Balk

Resolved, to convene into closed session to discuss contract negotiations.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Balk, LaRussa, Parkins, Schneeman, Taylor

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously 5-0

**Reconvene into Open Session at 8:08 PM.**

Motion by Balk

Seconded by Taylor

Motion carried unanimously 5-0

**Vote on Closed Session Item**

Motion by Schneeman

Seconded by Taylor

Resolved, to ratify TPOAM agreement as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Balk, LaRussa, Parkins, Schneeman, Taylor

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously 5-0

**10. Adjournment**

Motion by Balk

Supported by Taylor

Resolved, move to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:18 PM.

Motion carried unanimously 5-0

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Joe LaRussa, Mayor

Sue Alvey, Deputy City Clerk