

**City of Farmington
Economic Development Authority
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 15 2024**

The Farmington Economic Development Authority met in regular session on Monday, July 15, 2024, at Farmington City Hall, 430 3rd Street, Farmington, Minnesota.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Wilson lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chair Steve Wilson
Commissioners Katie Bernhjelm, Holly Bernatz,
Joshua Hoyt, and Nick Lien

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Lynn Gorski, City Administrator
Julie Flaten, Asst City Administrator/HR Director
Deanna Kuennen, EDA Executive Director
Stephanie Aman, Economic Development Coordinator
Kim Sommerland, Finance Director
John Powell, Public Works Director
Shirley Buecksler, City Clerk

4. APPROVE AGENDA

Director Kuennen requested the addition of Item 9.2, 2025 Preliminary Budget, Work Plan, and EDA Levy Discussion, which was added to the EDA's packet prior to the meeting and move the Closed Session to 9.3.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hoyt and seconded by Commissioner Bernatz to approve the agenda with the addition of Item 9.2, 2025 Preliminary Budget, Work Plan, and EDA Levy Discussion, and move the Closed Session from Item 9.2 to 9.3.

Motion carried: 5 ayes / 0 nays

5. CITIZEN COMMENTS

No one addressed the Commission to speak.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- 6.1 Minutes of the May 20, 2024 Economic Development Authority Meeting
- 6.2 Monthly Financial Report

Motion was made by Commissioner Lien and seconded by Commissioner Hoyt to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.

Motion carried: 5 ayes / 0 nays

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no public hearings.

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

9.1 Director's Report

Executive Director Kuennen presented the report.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

9.1 Small Business Resource Fair Update

Coordinator Aman presented an update on the Small Business Resource Fair. Currently, we have 14 confirmed exhibitors. Commissioners asked questions and received answers.

9.2 2025 Preliminary Budget, Work Plan, and EDA Levy Discussion

Executive Director Kuennen presented and answered questions from the Commission. All were in support of the levy.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bernatz and seconded by Commissioner Lien to go into closed session to consider whether to develop or consider offers or counteroffers for the sale or purchase of real property in the city of Farmington, Dakota County, Minnesota (PID: 14-03100-22-012), pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 13D.05, subdivision 3(c)(3) at 6 pm.

Motion carried: 5 ayes / 0 nays

9.3 Closed Session to Consider Whether to Develop or Consider Offers or Counteroffers for the Sale or Purchase of the Real Property in the City of Farmington, Dakota County, Minnesota (PID: 14-03100-22-012), Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.05, Subdivision 3(c)(3).

Present: Chair Steve Wilson and Commissioners Katie Bernhjelm, Holly Bernatz, Joshua Hoyt, and Nick Lien

Lynn Gorski, Deanna Kuennen, Stephanie Aman, Julie Flaten, Kim Sommerland, John Powell, Matt Price, and Shirley Buecksler

The EDA went back into regular session at 6:38 pm.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Hoyt and seconded by Commissioner Bernhjelm to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Motion carried: 5 ayes / 0 nays

Respectfully submitted,


Shirley R Bueckler
City Clerk