

**City of Farmington
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 4, 2024**

The City Council met in regular session on Monday, November 4, 2024, at Farmington City Hall, 430 Third Street, Farmington, Minnesota.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hoyt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hoyt led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Joshua Hoyt
Councilmembers Katie Bernhjelm, Holly Bernatz,
Nick Lien, and Steve Wilson

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lynn Gorski, City Administrator
Leah Koch, City Attorney
Deanna Kuennen, Community & Economic Development Director
Kim Sommerland, Finance Director
Matt Price, Fire Chief
Kellee Omlid, Parks & Recreation Director
Gary Rutherford, Police Chief
John Powell, Public Works Director

Also Present: Alison Harwood, Director of Natural Resources at WSB
Kristin Dean, Senior Director-Entitlements at Tract
Jon Beyer, Vice President of Energy and Member Services at
Dakota Electric

4. APPROVE AGENDA

Councilmember Wilson motioned to remove item 12.2 from the agenda. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bernhjelm and seconded by Councilmember Bernatz to approve the agenda, as presented.

Motion carried: 4 ayes / 1 nays – Councilmember Wilson voted against.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS / COMMENDATIONS

6. CITIZENS COMMENTS / RESPONSES TO COMMENTS

The following citizens addressed the Council:

- Allie Ayoub, 22232 Cambrian Way, Farmington
- Nate Ryan, 22390 Cambrian Way, Farmington
- Dave Akin, 22390 Beaumont Avenue, Castle Rock Township
- Former employee at Lakeville North High School
- Drew Roach (address not stated)

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- 7.1 Gambling Exempt Permit Application from Farmington Volleyball Club, Event Dates January 10 and 24, 2025
- 7.2 Gambling Permit Application from Farmington Wrestling Club, Event Dates December 7-8, 2024
- 7.3 Staff Recommendations, including the appointment of:
 - Sergeant Nate Siem to the position of Deputy Police Chief
 - Colton Muell as Seasonal Arena Skate Guard
 - Lauren Fleming as Seasonal Warming House Supervisor
 - Seasonal Warming House Attendants:
 - Everett Bennett
 - Lauren Lansing
 - Josilyn Tooley
 - Logan Stenson
 - Mason Eby
 - Dylan Kaiser
 - Tyler Aase
 - Anna Goodrich
 - Ava Goodrich
 - Maya Tracey
 - William Lichtsinn
- 7.4 Resolution 2024-96 Authorizing the Dakota County Community Development Agency to Administer City Local Affordable Housing Aid (LAHA) Funds
- 7.5 Financial Review for the Quarter Ending September 30, 2024
- 7.6 Payment of Claims
- 7.7 Agreement with Action Overhead Garage Door for New Garage Doors and Openers at Fire Station 1 and Fire Station 2
- 7.8 Donation of a Bench for Downtown from Farmington High School Marching Band Senior Class of 2025; Resolution 2024-93
- 7.9 Second Amendment to Joint Powers Agreement with Dakota County for Pilot Knob Road Trail Preliminary Design
- 7.10 Professional Services Agreement with Barr Engineering for the Well No. 10 Siting

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

Motion carried: 5 ayes / 0 nays

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. AWARD OF CONTRACT

10. PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12. NEW BUSINESS

12.1 Resolution 2024-97 Adopting the Final Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) for the Farmington Technology Park

Director Kuennen and Alison Harwood, Director of Natural Resources at WSB, presented and answered questions from Council.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bernhjelm and seconded by Councilmember Bernatz to adopt Resolution 2024-97 Adopting the Final Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) for the Farmington Technology Park.

Motion carried: 5 ayes / 0 nays

12.2

1) Comprehensive Plan Amendments for the Property Commonly Known as Fountain Valley Golf Course and Angus Properties

Planning Manager Wippler presented and answered questions from Council. Kristin Dean of Tract and Jon Beyer of Dakota Electric were also present for questions.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bernhjelm and seconded by Councilmember Lien to adopt Resolution 2024-98 Adopting the Comprehensive Plan Amendments for the Properties Commonly Known as Fountain Valley Golf Course and the Angus Properties and Authorize the Submittal of the Amendments to the Metropolitan Council.

Motion carried: 4 ayes / 1 nay – Councilmember Wilson voted against.

2) Rezoning of the Fountain Valley Golf Course and Property Formerly Known as the Angus Property from B-1 (Highway Business), R-1 (Low Density Residential), R-2 (Low/Medium Density Residential), R-3 (Medium Density Residential), P/OS (Park/Open Space), and A-1 (Agriculture) to MUCI (Mixed-Use Commercial/Industrial) – Kimley-Horn

Motion was made by Councilmember Bernatz and seconded by Councilmember Lien to pass Ordinance 2024-11 Rezoning the Properties Commonly Known as Fountain Valley Golf Course and the Angus Properties.

Motion carried: 4 ayes / 1 nay – Councilmember Wilson voted against.

3) Preliminary Plat, and Preliminary Planned Unit Development for the Farmington Technology Park – MNLCO Farmington, LLC & MNLCO Farmington Two, LLC (Tract)

Motion was made by Councilmember Bernhjelm and seconded by Councilmember Bernatz to adopt Resolution 2024-99 Approving the Preliminary Plat and Preliminary Planned Unit Development for the Farmington Technology Park and directing Staff to further address the items of fencing, faux windows, buffer, and height as a condition of the final plat and Planned Unit Development.

Motion carried: 4 ayes / 1 nay – Councilmember Wilson voted against.

13. CITY COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE

14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Bernhjelm and seconded by Councilmember Bernatz to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 pm.

Motion carried: 5 ayes / 0 nays

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley R Buecksler
City Clerk