



Special Council Meeting
6:00 p.m., Monday, July 17, 2023
Council Chambers
23600 Liberty Street
Farmington, MI 48335

FINAL

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on July 17, 2023 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 6:02 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

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

Nadim Ezzeddine, 37016 Dunstable Court, Farmington Hills, stated that he and another student are taking a summer government course that requires them to attend a public meeting. Council welcomed them.

4. BOARD AND COMMISSION INTERVIEWS: LIBRARY BOARD

- A. 6:00 p.m.: Yevgeniya Gazman
- B. 6:15 p.m.: Dilhara Muthukuda
- C. 6:30 p.m.: Josh Morell

Council interviewed three candidates for one open position as one of Farmington's representatives on the Library Board. One other candidate, Stefanie Messina, was interviewed on May 15, 2023. An appointment will be considered at a future meeting.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

City Manager Murphy brought in Scott Freeman, Civic Theater General Manager, to explain an intermittent problem with the specialized cinema server in the upstairs theater. He stated that it would cost \$8000 or less to replace but that it should be replaced soon as possible to avoid complete failure. Murphy suggested paying for it from Capital Improvement Millage fund. Discussion ensued about whether other projects already budgeted for the theater could be put off to be able to pay for the replacement servers, and about the possibility of replacing both servers at the same time, since they are at the same age now.

Move to authorize the City Manager to spend up to \$16,000 in order to purchase two servers to fix the movie theater.

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

Public Safety Director Houhanisin informed Council about three imminent resignations from his department and outlined what will be done to make up for the losses. He emphasized that the resignations were all unrelated and the result of favorable opportunities for the officers and not any issue within the department. Council was sympathetic to present hiring difficulties and let him know that he had their support.

6. COUNCIL COMMENT

No Council comment was heard.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm.

Sara Bowman, Mayor

Mary J. Mullison, City Clerk

Approval Date: August 21, 2023