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## **Nashville Farmers' Market Board of Commissioner's Meeting Minutes**

The Farmers' Market Board of Commissioner's meeting occurred on September 16, 2025, at the Nashville Farmers' Market Conference Room.

The attendees included the following:

Name	Organization	Name	Organization
Darrell Lane	NFM Executive Director	William Radford	NFM Board Chair
Courtney Cotton	NFM Marketing Manager	Scott Moskowitz	NFM Vice Chair
David Griffin	NFM Finance & Admin. Manager	Alex Lorenz	NFM Board Member
Charles Kizer	NFM Building Main. Super.	TJ Fritz	Far Better Distillery
Ann Mikkelsen	Metro Legal	Maliyah Bass	Rolled 4 Ever Ice Cream
Erica Haber	Metro Legal	Bariangela Segovia	Rolled 4 Ever Ice Cream
Ann Fields	Bubble Love	Ronald Cerdas	Succulent Vegan Tacos

### **Opening Announcement**

- The opening public announcements were administered by Board Vice-Chair Moskowitz and the meeting started at 9:40 a.m.

### **Public Comments**

- Thomas J Fritz with Far Better Distillery expressed interest in the current vacancy in the market house.
- Maliyah Bass and Bariangela Segovia with Rolled 4 Ever Ice Cream expressed concerns about their current location due to HVAC and electrical issues. They also are expressing interest in renting a portion of the vacancy in the market house.

### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

- A motion to approve the August 19, 2025 meeting minutes was made by Board Vice - Chair Moskowitz and seconded by Board Member Lorenz. All members voted in favor of the motion.

### **Executive Director's Merit Increase Proposal and Approval**

- A discussion occurred amongst the board members about the performance of Executive Director, Darrell Lane during Fiscal Year 2025.
- A motion to approve a 6% merit increase retroactive to July 1, 2025 for Executive Director, Darrell Lane was made by Vice – Chair Moskovitz and seconded by Board Member Lorenz. All members voted in favor of the motion.

### **Executive Director's Report**

- Executive Director Darrell Lane presented a 30-day update to the board. The report included updates on the following items:
  - Staffing update with two staff vacancies.
  - Current plans for market house tenant vacancy.
  - Kitchens program updates and ongoing operations of the program during staff transition.
  - Arboretum Certification update.
  - Procurement of new market house table and chairs.
  - Market House clear story window replacement project update.

### **Market Staff Reports**

- Marketing Manager Courtney Cotton reviewed a report detailing the cost to conduct a Farmers' Market festival and how the current sponsorship program covers the cost to produce these festivals.

### **Fiscal Year 2026 Financial Report**

- Finance & Administration Manager David Griffin presented to the board a report detailing the FY26 financial results as of August 31, 2025. Included in the reporting was a comparison between FY25 and FY26 actuals and a FY26 budget comparison.
- Finance & Administration Manager David Griffin presented to the board the FY26 departmental budget detail of LOCAP and Internal Services Fees that are incorporated into the departmental budget.
- Finance & Administration Manager David Griffin informed the board that since July 1, 2025 the market has executed 8 temporary space license agreements, 12 kitchen temporary license agreements, 2 special event license agreements, 3 farm shed membership agreements, and 2 lease renewals.

### **Final Comments and Adjournment**

- A motion of adjournment was made by Board Chair Radford the meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.