Bloomington Community Farmers' Market Advisory Council Minutes
October 19, 2026

Attendees: Lori Bolin, Carolyn Calloway-Thomas, Ben Gardner, Julia Fox (virtual), Robin Kitowski, Louise Miracle (virtual), Ed Robertson, Karen Saint Rain

Absent: John Norton, Kip Schlegel, Patricia Sigman

Parks Staff Present: Clarence Boone (FM Coord.)

Public in Attendance: Tracy Bruce

Monday, October 19, 2026 / Duration: 5:30–7 p.m.
City Hall, Allison Conference (First Floor # 225), 401 N. Morton St. in Bloomington, IN

Call to Order @ 5:37pm

I. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from September 28, 2026 accepted @ 5:39pm

II. **Agenda**

A <u>Old Business</u>

- **Survey Trends**

1. Distributed and reviewed current trending data for all surveys

B <u>New Business</u>

- **September/October Farmers' Market Observations (*2025)***

<u>SATURDAYS</u>

Date	Customers	Vendors	Notes
10/3	5,016 (*5,484*)	58 (*58*)	
10/10	3,408 (*5,208*)	59 (63)	
10/17	2,292 (4,164)	46 (63)	
TOTALS	**September:** 15,195 (16,668)	**October:** TBD	

■ **November Market Applications (10 as of 10/19)**

Booth Name	Vendor
Driftwood Organics	John Voelker / Linda White
Hi-Acre Farm	Jim Sigman
Lew Crew	Alana Wilson
McMahan's Natural Garden Farms	John McMahan
MKONO Farm	Amanda Hand
Olde Lane	Chester Lehman
Pili's Party Taco	Maria del Pilar González
Rainbow Tropical Plants	James Kowaliuk
Scholars Inn Bakery	Tracy Bruce
Twilight Dairy	Amos Esh

■ **Holiday Market Applications: (12 as of 10/19)**

Farm Vendor	Vendor Name
Bread and Roses	Salem Willard
Hi-Acre	Jim & Pat Sigman
MKONO	Jason Hand
Olde Lane Orchard	Chester Lehman
The Chile Woman	Susan Welsand
The Lew Crew	Alana Wilson
Poseys and Pumpkins	Kimberley Beesley

FBA Local Product Vendor	Vendor Name
Considerate Burrito	Josh McClary
Hunter's Honey	Christina Hunter
Kettle of Corn	Chris Vosters
Pili's Party Taco	Maria del Pilar Gonzales
Sparkles & Sprinkles	MaryBeth Hines

- **Initial Discussion on Potential 2027 Contract Changes**

    1. Vendor Space Restrictions, Need for Early Exits, Truck sizes,
    2. Transaction start & finish times and possible no FM time change until November
    3. Attendance Penalties for Reserved Spaces
    4. When and How to get vehicles towed
    5. Discussion included ways to minimize the impact of some FBA customer lines

- **Public Comment – anything unrelated to agenda items**

I. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING: November 16, 2026

Location: City Hall, Allison Conference Room #225, 401 N. Morton St. in Bloomington, IN