

URBAN AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE AGENDA

July 8, 2026 – 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Kent/MSU Extension's Grand Ideas Garden

(775 Ball Ave NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503)

Committee Members:

Connie Bohatch, Amanda Faber, Sarah Larson, Muriel (Dolli) Lutes, Evvia Marshall, Kimberly Moore, Stacy Stout

Mission:

To educate and empower the community by providing policy review, recommendations, and support for urban agriculture.

Agenda:

- Call to Order
- Determination of Quorum
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes of June 10, 2026, meeting
- Public Comments *(limited to 3 minutes per person)*
- Old Business
 - Review of updates for the compost ordinance
 - Discuss policy recommendations for backyard chickens
 - Neighborhood Match Fund Applications are open at grandrapidsmi.gov/nmf
- New Business
 - Determine format for UAC strategic plan review
 - i. Office of Innovation & Continuous Improvement [Project Request Form](#)
 - Discussion of meeting locations for Sept – December 2026
- Partner Reports
 - City of Grand Rapids Office of Sustainability
 - Upcoming community events in July
 - www.grandrapidsmi.gov/plants for updated Planting for Pollinators page
- Agenda Items for future meeting
 - Review of updates for the backyard chickens ordinance
- Adjournment

Next Meeting – Wednesday, August 12, 2026, at 4pm

at MLK Park Community Center

(900 Fuller Ave SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506)