



# City of Ann Arbor

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## Meeting Minutes

### Public Market Advisory Commission

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Thursday, February 19, 2015

5:30 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St,  
Second floor, City Council Chambers

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#### A CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 p.m.

#### B ROLL CALL

**Present:** 3 - Aimee Germain, Jillian Lada, and Karlene Goetz

**Absent:** 2 - David Santacroce, and Peter Woolf

#### C APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved as presented

#### D FIRST PUBLIC COMMENTARY (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY) - (3 Minutes per Speaker)

#### E APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

**E-1** [15-0192](#) Public Market Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of January 15, 2015

Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council due back on 3/24/2015

**E-2** [15-0225](#) Public Market Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of February 11, 2015

Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council due back on 3/24/2015

#### F PRESENTATIONS

#### G REGULAR BUSINESS (AGENDA ITEMS)

#### G-1 Architectural Firm Presentation Review

PMAC Architecture Firm Feedback for City Staff:

The Public Market Advisory Commission concluded that they would not make a recommendation of one architecture firm over the other - but rather felt that

given the appropriate guidance either firm would be capable of doing the job well.

**Kohler Pros:**

1. If given same information and consultation on the needs/wants of the vendors and community, then presumably they would be more than willing to incorporate that same knowledge (had by Mitchell Mouat) into its site design proposal.
2. Agrarian design fits market well.
3. Cohesive project represented the market with new additions as a whole unit.
4. Could bring new ideas and new perspectives to the project since they are new to city projects.

**Kohler Cons:**

1. Designs overlooked key elements such as traffic flow.
2. Solar panels were placed on north side of structure in design.
3. No history of projects with the City of Ann Arbor to date.

**Mitchell Mouat Pros:**

1. Strong community viewpoint.
2. Acknowledged complexity of the problem and seemed willing to engage in solutions.
3. More likely to guide a more inclusive process to yield a more useful space.
4. Have had experience in the space itself.

**Mitchell Mouat Cons:**

1. Caution against any preference to this firm because of their insider status within community and role in DDA.
2. No substantial design included for idea of what a new structure would look like.
3. Not as interested in the industrial/modern design that was suggested.

**PMAC Recommended Project Information for City Staff (to be used in creating the Scope of Work to be given to the chosen architectural firm):**

**PMAC Overall Project Priorities:**

1. Increased stall space access for year-round market: summer and winter.
2. Creation of a building to serve as a solution for winterization.

**PMAC Project Function Priorities:**

1. Vendor stall space for winter and summer.
2. Ease of use by vendors and customers.
3. Community space.
4. Versatility throughout seasons, market and non-market days.
5. Potential to function as a rental space (this is not the primary desired function, but rather an added bonus).

**PMAC Project Design Element Priorities:**

1. Agrarian theme blending with current market structures.
2. Open air space in the summer.
3. Warm and inviting building in the winter.
4. Transparency through use of clear materials (such as glass garage doors).
5. Natural lighting.

- 6. Highlighting the market as park space – landscaping elements.
- 7. Choices for sustainable design.

**G-2**    [15-0223](#)                      Wednesday Evening Market 2015 Proposed Rule Updates

Approved

**G-3    Budget Update**

Market Manager Sarah DeWitt gave the commissioners a brief update on the budget, which will remain much the same for the upcoming 2016 fiscal year. More information will be provided at the next meeting.

**H        NEW BUSINESS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)**

**I        REPORTS**

**I-1**    [15-0193](#)                      Market Manager Report

Received and Filed

**J        SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT (NOT LIMITED TO AGENDA ITEMS)**

Market Vendor Jan Upston expressed interest in the process for vendor input regarding the winterization project and a desire for clarification on the process for new vendor applications.

Market Vendor Bruce Upston expressed concern about eliminating the turn around between the market and the sand lot as a part of the winterization project.

Market Vendor Nathan Lada discussed the need to update operating rules in conjunction with the winterization project and voiced the desire for a pedestrian focused design.

**L        ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.