

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE REGIONAL MEMBER (FARM) POLICY COMMITTEE

Friday, December 13th, 2024 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. Virtual Only

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DRAFT AGENDA

10:00 A.M. 1. WELCOME

Councilmember Jon Stehle, FARM Chair

Chair Stehle will welcome participants and review the meeting agenda.

10:05 A.M. 2. FARM COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Jon Stehle, FARM Chair Council President Andrew Friedson, FARM Vice Chair Sydney Daigle, Regional Food Systems Consultant

Chair Stehle will call for any reflections on October's DC Farm Tour and ask COG staff to share next steps from a joint FARM Work Group Meeting in November. He will also seek approval of the August meeting summary,

Chair Stehle will welcome the incoming FARM Chair and Vice Chair. He will also recognize a new FARM member. Vice Chair Friedson will recognize outgoing FARM and Workgroup members. All incoming and outcoming members will be invited to provide brief reflections on their time with FARM.

The Chairs will review the proposed changes to FARM's by-laws and call for questions, discussion, and feedback from members. Chair Stehle will also briefly

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discuss 2025 to 2026 FARM membership.

Recommended Action: Discussion of tour, bylaws, membership, and approve meeting summary.

10:40 A.M. 3. 2025 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Jon Stehle, FARM Chair Sydney Daigle, Regional Food Systems Consultant

Members will be briefed on recommended changes to COG's food security-related legislative priorities for 2025.

Recommended Action: Receive briefing and discuss.

11:00 A.M. 4. ASSESSING FARM'S PROGRESS AND MEMBER ROUNDTABLE

Jon Stehle, FARM Chair Andrew Friedson, FARM Vice Chair

The Chair and Vice Chair will reflect on FARM's progress against its 2023 to 2024 Strategic Plan and invite member discussion.

FARM and FARM Work Group members are encouraged to bring a reflection on working regionally on food and agriculture during this period and to highlight a local milestone or accomplishment. Members are also invited to share any observations on their priorities for the 2025 District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia legislative periods or sessions.

Recommended Action: Member discussion

11:45 A.M. 5. REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURN

Jon Stehle, FARM Chair

The next FARM meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 14th.