

Agenda

1. Call Meeting to Order – Mayor Boschee
2. Approve Agenda – Mayor Boschee
3. Approve Minutes – Mayor Boschee
4. Discussion Topic(s):

2027 Budget Discussion

5. Other Business
6. Adjourn

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Fargo, North Dakota

Regular Meeting:

Wednesday:

September 23, 2026:

The Regular Meeting of the Finance Committee of the City of Fargo, North Dakota, was held in the Commission Chambers at City Hall at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 23, 2026.

Commissioners present or absent were as follows:

Present: Gullickson, Peterson, Strand, Turnberg, Boschee.

Absent: None.

Staff attending: Finance Director Susan Thompson, Assistant Finance Director Wyatt Papenfuss, Human Resources Director Jill Minette, City Administrator Michael Redlinger.

Mayor Boschee presiding.

Order of the Agenda:

Commissioner Peterson moved the Order of the Agenda be approved. Second by Gullickson. There was unanimous approval.

Minutes:

Commissioner Strand moved the Minutes from the September 8, 2026 meeting be approved. Second by Gullickson. There was unanimous approval.

2027 Budget Discussion:

Social Service Presentations:

- Downtown Community Partnership – Rocky Schneider
- FM Coalition to End Homelessness – Chandler Esslinger
- The Arts Partnership – Tania Blanich
- Cass Clay Community Land Trust – Trenton Gerads
- Indigenous Organization – Brandon Baity

Finance Director Susan Thompson, Human Resources Director Jill Minette and City Administrator Michael Redlinger presented the 2027 budget items for discussion:

- Expense Considerations
- Market Adjustments/Study
- Public Safety Sales Tax
- Social Services
- Revenue
- Utility Rates

Mayor Boschee, Commissioner Gullickson, Commissioner Peterson, Commissioner Strand and Commissioner Turnberg discussed the 2027 budget items in review and after much deliberation, the consensus was to move forward by adding an additional Finance Committee meeting for further discussion. The meeting has been scheduled on Friday, September 25, 2026 at 10 o'clock a.m. in the Commission Chambers.

Adjourn:

The meeting adjourned at 1:17 o'clock p.m.