City Council Item

May 19, 2025

Item	Approve 2025 Chanhassen Farmers' Market Agreement	
File No.		**Item No:** D.7
Agenda Section	**CONSENT AGENDA**	
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SUGGESTED ACTION

"The Chanhassen City Council approves the 2025 agreement with the Chanhassen Farmers' Market to coordinate a farmers' market every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at City Center Park from June 7 through September 27, 2025."

Motion Type	Simple Majority Vote of members present
Strategic Priority	N/A

SUMMARY

The Chanhassen Farmers' Market runs at City Center Park on Saturdays, June through September, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is a popular Saturday morning destination for residents to shop for fresh produce, flowers, handmade goods, fresh treats, and other items.

BACKGROUND

The Chanhassen Farmers' Market has been coordinated and managed by community volunteers since 2004. The City of Chanhassen Park & Recreation department temporarily coordinated the market during the 2020 and 2021 seasons during the transition between community volunteers due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Since 2022, the Farmers' Market has been coordinated and managed by Chanhassen community volunteer Holly Bustle.

From 2004 - 2023, prior to the beginning of Civic Campus construction, the Farmers' Market was held

in the parking lot on the southeast side of the City Hall building near the Council Chambers and Senior Center entrance.

DISCUSSION

Chanhassen community volunteer Holly Bustle will return for the 2025 season to manage the Chanhassen Farmers' Market. The annual agreement between the City of Chanhassen and the Chanhassen Farmers' Market has been updated and is attached, along with 2025 market maps. The Chanhassen Farmers' Market and individual vendors complete liability waivers at the beginning of each market season.

From June 7 - June 28, the location of the Farmers' Market within City Center Park will be the same as in 2024. Vendors will set up on the soccer field north of the current City Hall. From July 12 - September 27, when Phase 2 of the Civic Campus Project construction begins, the location of the Market will move to the ballfield just north of the trail. There will be no Farmers' Market on Saturday, July 5.

Beginning July 12, youth athletic groups that use the ballfield during Market times will be moved to other ballfields at City Center Park or within the park system. Youth athletic groups utilizing the soccer fields at City Center Park will be unaffected and will retain access to all three fields. Parents & guardians of players utilizing soccer fields will be directed to park along Kerber Boulevard or Chanhassen Elementary School, and Farmers' Market vendors, visitors, and Chanhassen Library patrons will park in the lot west of the current City Hall.

BUDGET

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the City Council approve the 2025 agreement with the Chanhassen Farmers' Market to coordinate a farmers' market every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at City Center Park from June 7 through September 27, 2025.

ATTACHMENTS

2025 Farmers Market Agreement
2025 Farmers Market Map
2025 Vendor Waiver
2023 Farmers Market Map (shows previous location)