
Fwd: URA & Council Meetings June 2, 2026

From Jonathan Tallman <1stjohn217llc@gmail.com>

Date Mon 6/1/2026 6:52 AM

To Brandon Hammond <HammondB@cityofboardman.com>

Cc Derrin Tallman <derrin@tallman.cx>; Amanda Mickles <Amanda@cityofboardman.com>; The Farmers Cup <thefarmerscup@gmail.com>

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April 21st meeting.pdf;

Brandon, Amanda, Mayor, and Council,

Please add this statement to the public record regarding the proposed Hearings Officer Agreement and the pending enforcement matters involving The Farmer's Cup and property owned by 1st John 2:17 LLC.

As the property owner and landlord, I am concerned not only about the impact these actions may have on my tenant, but also on the underlying property interests and future use of the property.

I continue to seek a practical and cooperative resolution with the City. My goal is not conflict, but clarity, consistency, and a path forward that protects both the City's interests and private property rights.

However, I would be remiss if I did not note the timing of these events. The City previously presented a non-binding Letter of Intent regarding acquisition of the property. The City thereafter continued separate planning and development discussions involving the area, including the April 21, 2026 development meeting concerning Laurel Lane, pedestrian improvements, development code requirements, and future timing considerations.

Against that backdrop, the current sign enforcement matter, coupled with the proposed Hearings Officer Agreement, creates an appearance that deserves public discussion and transparency. I am not asserting improper motives; however, a reasonable property owner could perceive these events as connected and could question whether enforcement actions are being applied consistently across similarly situated properties around town or in the immediate area in question.

The photographs previously submitted raise legitimate questions regarding equal treatment, consistency of enforcement, and the standards being applied within the same commercial corridor. These are questions that deserve answers before additional enforcement authority is delegated or expanded.

I respectfully request that the City address these concerns openly and work toward a constructive resolution. I remain willing to discuss in documented solutions that avoid unnecessary disputes,

protect local businesses, respect private property rights, and maintain public confidence in the fairness of City processes.

I further request that this correspondence be included in the record and considered prior to any final action on the proposed Hearings Officer Agreement.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Tallman
1st John 2:17 LLC

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From: **The Farmers Cup** <thefarmerscup@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jun 1, 2026 at 6:37 AM
Subject: Fwd: URA & Council Meetings June 2, 2026
To: Jonathan Tallman <1stjohn217llc@gmail.com>

Jonathan,

Just wanted to keep you in the loop. This is the email I sent to the City of Boardman this morning regarding the sign enforcement issue involving The Farmer's Cup.

As the landlord, I think this is something that needs to be addressed because it could impact the business and potentially create damages if it isn't handled fairly and consistently.

See below.

Thanks,

Cheryl Tallman
The Farmer's Cup

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From: **The Farmers Cup** <thefarmerscup@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Jun 1, 2026 at 6:22 AM
Subject: Fwd: URA & Council Meetings June 2, 2026
To: Brandon Hammond <HammondB@cityofboardman.com>, Amanda Mickles <micklesa@cityofboardman.com>

Brandon,

I would like this statement entered into the public record regarding the proposed Hearings Officer Agreement between the City of Boardman and LCOG.

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I respectfully ask why this agreement is being advanced so quickly, and why it is being brought forward now, while ongoing enforcement matters involving The Farmer's Cup (a tenant) operating on private property owned by a separate landowner entity, remain pending and unresolved.

My understanding from prior communications was that these matters were effectively on hold or still pending further review and discussion. Now, suddenly, a new quasi-judicial hearings structure is being proposed while those same matters remain unresolved. That timing raises legitimate public questions regarding process, fairness, independence, and the scope of authority being created through this agreement. This was never mentioned to The Farmer's Cup when we submitted paperwork and you said you would get back to us.

Accordingly, I would like the City to clarify on the record:

1. What is the exact status of the pending enforcement matters involving The Farmer's Cup and related property interests?
2. If those matters were considered pending or on hold, why is this hearings officer agreement now being advanced before those issues are resolved?
3. Will this new hearings officer system apply to pending enforcement matters already underway?
4. What exact appeal rights will exist after a hearings officer decision involving sign enforcement or other code enforcement matters?
5. What qualifies as "other CITY matters" under the agreement?
6. What safeguards exist to ensure true independence and neutrality if the hearings officer coordinates through the City Manager/City Planner while the City itself initiates enforcement actions —particularly where broader development interests, data center-related growth, NDAs involving major private entities such as Amazon, and discussions involving potential "Amazon funded" RV park or workforce housing development affecting my property may create perceived conflicts or overlapping interests?
7. Has the City already discussed pending enforcement matters, including The Farmer's Cup sign issues, in relation to this agreement?
8. Will all ex parte communications, staff coordination, and outside discussions involving pending cases be publicly disclosed and preserved in the administrative record?
9. How many sign enforcement actions has the City pursued over the last five years, against which businesses, and under what circumstances? There has been many other circumstances already and we have more pictures to show perceived selective enforcement especially after a non-binding/contingent offer for the property in question.

I would also like clarification regarding consistency of enforcement within the same corridor and surrounding commercial areas.

The attached photo example appears to show other commercial signage and sign structures located within the same general interstate/commercial corridor area involving similar sign concerns. To my understanding, certain signs associated with nearby properties may have been handled differently,

resolved informally, voluntarily removed, or not pursued through the same escalating enforcement process as The Farmer's Cup matter. Just like past meetings that have not been properly documented or announced on the loop road from the April 21st meeting without our knowledge or notification(s).

I am therefore requesting clarification on the following additional questions:

- What objective standards are being used for sign enforcement?
- Were similar cure periods, notice procedures, and enforcement timelines applied consistently to all property owners and tenants?
- What criteria determine whether the City pursues voluntary compliance versus formal escalating enforcement?
- How does the City ensure equal application of enforcement standards among similarly situated properties and businesses? Please see pictures below.

I support fair and consistent code enforcement. However, the public deserves transparency, due process, equal application of the law, and a complete understanding of how this proposed process may affect existing disputes, businesses, tenants, and property rights before it is adopted.

I respectfully request these questions and concerns be addressed on the record prior to any final approval.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Tallman
The Farmer's Cup

Laurel lane south end signs



One taken down the other not?



Good afternoon,

Packets for the meetings scheduled on [Tuesday, June 2, 2026](#) are available for your review. Additional documents will be added as they become available. Watch for an email update.

[Workshop 6:00 PM](#)

[URA Meeting 7:00 PM](#)

[Council Meeting 7:10 PM](#)

As always, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. See you on Tuesday!

Amanda Mickles

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